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No.	*Time*	*Place.*
1.	November 5–7, 1868	Topeka, Kansas.
2.	April 2–5, 1869	Atchison, Kansas.
	October 6–10, 1869	Kansas City, Mo.
3.	October 5–10, 1870	Lawrence, Kansas.
4.	September 27–October 1, 1871	Grasshopper Falls, Kansas.
5.	September 11–14, 1872	Monrovia, Kansas.
6.	October 1–6, 1873	Kansas City, Mo.
7.	October 21–25, 1874	Abilene, Kansas.
8.	September 22–27, 1875	Lawrence, Kansas.
9.	August 1–6, 1876	Kansas City, Mo.
10.	August 22–25, 1877	Salina, Kansas.
11.	August 7–10, 1878	Peabody, Kansas.
12.	September 24–28, 1879	Abilene, Kansas.
13.	October 13–18, 1880	Lawrence, Kansas.
14.	October 5–9, 1881	Bunker Hill, Kansas.
15.	October 25–30, 1882	Salina, Kansas.
16.	October 24–29, 1883	Eureka, Kansas.
17.	November 25–December 1, 1884	Topeka, Kansas.
18.	October 20–26, 1885	Peabody, Kansas.
19.	October 12–18, 1886	Waterville, Kansas.
20.	October 25–31, 1887	Abilene, Kansas.
21.	October 23–28, 1888	Lawrence, Kansas.
22.	October 1–6, 1889	Atchison, Kansas.
23.	October 21–27, 1890	Salina, Kansas.

THE TWENTY-FOURTH CONVENTION.

Place.—Emporia, Kansas.

Time.—Third Tuesday in October, 1891.

SYNODICAL CALENDAR, 1890-1891.

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THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF KANSAS.

TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL CONVENTION.

TIME—Third Tuesday in October (20th), 1891.
PLACE—St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Emporia, Kansas.
Synodical Year closes October 6, 1891.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL CONVENTION

OF THE

Evangelical Lutheran Synod

OF

KANSAS.

SALINA, KANSAS, OCTOBER 21, 1890, 7:30 P. M.

The Twenty-third Annual Convention of the Synod of Kansas met in St. John's English Lutheran Church of Salina, Kansas.

The President of Synod, Rev. W. M. Sparr, Eureka, Kansas, preached the opening sermon, taking as a text the words of St. Paul, "But our sufficiency is of God." 2 Cor. iii. 5.

FIRST SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22. 1890, 9 A. M.

After a half hour's devotional service, conducted by Rev. J. F. Sponseller, the first session of the Twenty-third Annual Convention of the Synod of Kansas was opened with prayer by the President.

The clerical roll was called and absentees noted, after which

the roll of pastorates was called, the credentials of the lay delegates received, and their names placed on the Synodical roll.

Synodical Roll.

Number.	Clerical Roll.	Entered the Ministry.	Residence.	Lay Delegates.
1	Rev. Charles Martin, M. D.	1836	St. Joseph, Mo	Mr. Oscar Nelson.
2	Rev. D. S. Altman (*a. e.*)	1845	Ottawa, Kan.	(No charge.)
3	Rev P. S. Nellis (*a.*)	1846	Wichita, Kan	(No charge.)
4	Rev. Jacob Schauer (*a. e.*)	1848	Atchison, Kan	(No charge.)
5	Rev. L. C. Groseclose (*a. e.*)	1849	Eureka, Kan.	(No charge.)
6	Rev. S. Henry (*a. e.*)	1850	Independence, Kan.	(No charge.)
7	Rev. Prof. W. H. Wynn, D. D.	1851	Atchison, Kan	Prof. in Midland College.
8	Rev. J. B. McAfee	1854	Topeka, Kan	(No charge.)
9	Rev. Geo. A. Bowers, D. D.	1854	Peabody, Kan	Mr. H. L. Lark.
10	Rev. B. F. Hills	1854	Elmo, Dick'n Co., Kan.	Mr. Isaac Wise.
11	Rev. A. B. Kirtland	1857	Salina, Kan	Mr. W. H. Shirar.
12	Rev. Prof. J. B. Corbett (*a.*)	1857	Bunker Hill, Kan	(No charge.)
13	Rev. H. Acker.	1858	White Water, Kan	Mr. G. B. Hanstine.
14	Rev. Henry Heigard	1858	Effingham, Kan	(No charge.)
15	Rev. A. M. Geiger, D. D.	1859	Valley Falls, Kan	(No charge.)
16	Rev. D. Scholl	1859	Wellsville, Kan	(No charge.)
17	Rev. R. B. Whitehill	1862	Abilene, Kan	Mr. C. C. Sherwood.
18	Rev. W. M. Sparr,	1864	Eureka, Kan.	Mr. L. L. Lake.
19	Rev. S. B. Hyman (*a.*)	1866	Leavenworth, Kan	(No charge.)
20	Rev. A. J. Hesson	1867	Peabody, Kan	(No charge.)
21	Rev. A. J. Hartsock.	1867	McPherson, Kan.	(No charge.)
22	Rev. T. F. Dornblaser	1871	Topeka, Kan	Synodical Missionary.
23	Rev. E. Rees	1871	Ellsworth, Kan	Mr. John Gamber.
24	Rev. Prof J. H. Stough, Ph. D. (*a. e.*)	1872	Atchison, Kan	Prof. in Midland College.
25	Rev. J. A. Bright	1873	Abilene, Kan	Sec'y of State S. S. A.
26	Rev. S. Palmer	1873	Abilene, Kan	(No charge.)
27	Rev. J. G. M. Horsh (*a.*)	1874	Wellington, Kan.	
28	Rev. E. B. Killinger	1874	Hays City, Kan.	
29	Rev. J. F. Sponseller	1874	Waterville, Kan.	Mr. George Kistler.
30	Rev. J. A. Lowe	1876	Hutchinson, Kan.	
31	Rev. J. M. Cromer	1876	Kansas City, Mo.	
32	Rev. C. J. Kiefer	1876	Denver, Colo.	
33	Rev. W. F. Rentz	1879	Atchison, Kan	Mr. J. H. Berlin.
34	Rev. J. W. Thomas	1879	Valley Falls, Kan.	
35	Rev F. M. Porch	1881	Topeka, Kan	Mr. J. B. McAfee.
36	Rev. F. D. Altman	1881	Kansas City, Mo.	Mr. D. H. Kresky.
37	Rev. C. A. Eyler	1881	Leavenworth, Kan.	
38	Rev. J. E. Maurer	1882	Hardy, Neb	Mr. J. W. Brooks.
39	Rev. M. F. Rinker	1885	Minneapolis, Kan	Mr. A. G. Johnson.
40	Rev H. L. Yarger	1885	Lawrence, Kan	Mr. D. S. Long.
41	Rev. Geo. Sanderson (*a. e.*)	1886	Merriam, Kan	(No charge.)
42	Rev. C. W. Maggart	1886	Salina, Kan	Mr. J. W. Kraft.
43	Rev. S. G. Drabenstadt	1886	Emporia, Kan	Mr. John Hoffer.
44	Rev. J. F. Scherer	1888	Chapman, Kan.	Mr. W. H. H. Betz.
45	Rev. Jonas Freet (*a.*)	1888	Manchester, Kan.	
46	Rev. H. A. Koogle	1888	Bunker Hill, Kan	Mr. W. H. Blays.
47	Rev. J. B. Umberger	1888	Norcatur, Kan.	
48	Rev. W. L. Seabrook	1889	Wichita, Kan.	
			Perth, Kan	Mr. Harry Pratt.
			Garnett, Kan	Mr. Daniel Smith.
			Abilene, Kan	Mr. R. B. Jacobs.
			Barnes, Kan	Mr. John H. Clarke.

(*a.*) Absent. (*a. e.*) Absent and excused. (*e.*) Ordained.

The retiring President read a report of his official acts during the synodical year, which was referred to the proper Committee.

President's Report.

Brethren of the Synod of Kansas. We close another synodical year, full of work and meaning. Much faithful service has been rendered. Heroic sacrifices have been made. Some clouds of sorrow have cast their shadows here and there. But there have fallen among all the Lord's benedictions.

I hereby submit my official actions for the year.

DIMISSALS.

October 28, 1889, Rev. W. B. Glanding was dismissed to the East Pennsylvania Synod.

December 18, 1889, Rev. M. F. Troxell was dismissed to unite with the Synod of Central Illinois.

March 17, 1890, Rev. P. A. Heilman requested his letter, to unite with the Susquehanna Synod.

September 15, 1890, Rev. D. Harbaugh asked for his letter of dismissal, that he might unite with the new Synod about to be organized in Colorado.

NEW MEMBERS.

November 18, 1889, Rev. C. J. Kiefer, having accepted a call from the Denver church, forwarded his letter from the Synod of Northern Indiana.

April 8, 1890, Rev. S. B. Hyman returned his letter.

June 12, 1890, Rev. J. W. Thomas, having taken charge of the church at Valley Falls, forwarded his letter from the Synod of Central Illinois.

May 25, 1890, Rev. S. G. Dornblaser forwarded his letter from the Wittenberg Synod, having taken charge of St. Mark's, Emporia.

RESIGNATIONS.

Rev. E. S. Rees resigned the Barnes and Greenleaf pastorate, February 1, 1890, and accepted a call from the Ellsworth pastorate.

Rev. F. D. Altman resigned St. Mark's, Emporia, April 15th, and accepted a call from the Children's Memorial, Kansas City.

Rev. M. F. Rinker resigned the church at Washington, May 1, 1890, and took charge of the church at Minneapolis.

Rev. J. E. Maurer resigned the pastorate at Hardy, Neb., October 1, 1890.

Rev. R. B. Whitehill has tendered his resignation of the St. James church, to take effect December 31, 1890.

INSTALLATIONS.

Rev. M. F. Rinker was installed as pastor at Minneapolis, June 8, 1890, Revs. Dornblaser and Porch conducting the installation services.

Rev. C. J. Kiefer was installed as pastor of the church at Denver, September 14, 1890, Revs. Clutz and Barnitz officiating.

Rev. S. G. Dornblaser was installed as pastor of St. Mark's, Emporia, October 12, 1890, Revs. Porch and Altman conducting the services.

NEW ORGANIZATIONS.

A congregation was organized at Garnett with seventeen members, August 10, 1890. This congregation will apply for admission into this Synod.

DEDICATIONS.

November 3d, 1889, St. Mark's, of Emporia, was dedicated. This is one of the best church buildings of our Synod.

November 24, 1889, St. John's, of Wellington, was dedicated. The people of St. John's have a beautiful chapel, with a home-like parsonage by its side.

Dec. 22, 1889, the Jacob Scherer Memorial church of Chapman, Kansas was dedicated.

April 28, 1890, the new church at Perth was dedicated.

May 25, 1890, the chapel at Hutchinson was dedicated. This is one of the most beautiful chapels in the Synod of Kansas.

September 28, 1890, a new chapel at Effingham was dedicated.

VACANCIES.

Abilene, Washington, Barnes and Greenleaf, Ottawa and Garnett, and Hardy, Neb., are vacant. Washington, Greenleaf, and Barnes have been supplied part of the year by Rev. S. B. Hyman. Ottawa and Garnett have been supplied part of thetime. Vine land has been served by Rev. D. Scholl during the entire year.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The tabulated statistics of the Synod have been compiled and furnished by the President of Synod for the Department of the Interior and forwarded to that office.

The Synodical Missionary, Rev. T. F. Dornblaser, has rendered valuable service to the Church in looking after the vacant congregations. It is desirable that he be retained in this work.

It will be necessary at this convention to elect Delegates to the next meeting of the General Synod.

October 18, 1890, I received a letter from Rev. S. B. Hyman, returning his certificate of ordination, and wishing to demit the ministry. The matter will come up properly before the Ministerium.

Rev. Geo. D. Gotwald, who occupied the place by my side as Secretary of the Synod during the last two conventions, and who filled the office so well and promptly, has been taken from among us. He died January 12, 1890, after an illness of eighteen days. Synod will pass fitting resolutions during some one of its sessions.

Concerning the vacancy in the office of Secretary, the President assumed the authority, because of the necessity, to appoint Rev. J. M. Cromer Secretary *pro tem.*

And now, brethren, I return to you the office in which I have endeavored to serve you. I appreciate the kindness you have shown and the co-operation you have given me.

Respectfully submitted, W. M. SPARR.

Election of Officers.

The election of officers being next in order, Rev. J. E. Maurer and Mr. L. L. Lake were appointed tellers.

The result was as follows:

President—Rev. F. D. Altman, Kansas City, Mo.

Secretary—Rev. H. L. Yarger, Lawrence, Kan.

Treasurer—Mr. A. L. Selig, Lawrence, Kan.

Committees.

The following committees were appointed by the President:

No. 1. *On President's Report*—Rev. G. A. Bowers, D. D., Dr. Chas. Martin, and H. L. Lark, Esq.

No. 2. *On Treasurer's Report*—T. E. Dewey, Esq., J. H. Berlin, L. L. Lake.

No. 3. *On Admission of Churches*—Rev. J. A. Cromer, Rev. W. F. Rentz, Mr. R. B. Jacobs.

No. 4. *On Correspondence*—Rev. J. A. Lowe, Rev. A. B. Kirtland, Mr. A. G. Johnson.

No. 5. *On Apportionment*—Messrs. A. L. Selig, D. H. Kresky, John Hoffer.

No. 6. *On Leave of Absence*—Rev. J. E. Maurer, Rev. B. F. Hills, Mr. D. S. Long.

No. 7. *On Parochial Reports*—Rev. C. A. Eyler, Rev. M. F. Rinker, Mr. J. W. Kraft.

No. 8. *On Devotional Exercises*—Rev. C. W. Maggart, Rev. F. D. Altman, Rev. H. L. Yarger.

No. 9. *On Resolutions*—Rev. W. M. Sparr, Rev. W. L. Seabrook, Mr. J. W. Brooks.

No. 10. *On Literature*—Rev. C. J. Kiefer, Rev. S. G. Dornblaser, Mr. W. H. Shirar.

No. 11. *On Vacant Churches*—Rev. T. F. Dornblaser, Rev. A. M. Geiger, Rev. H. A. Koogle.

No. 12. *On Minutes of Last Meeting*—Rev. F. M. Porch, Rev. R. B. Whitehill, Rev. Jonas Freet.

No. 13. *On Synodical Calendar*—Rev. J. F. Scherer, Rev. J. F. Sponseller, Mr. W. H. H. Betz.

No. 14. *On State of Religion*—Rev. H. Acker, Rev. E. S. Rees, Rev. D. Scholl.

Hours of Meeting and Adjournment.

The hours of meeting and adjournment for this Convention of Synod were fixed as follows:

Devotional service, 11:15 a. m. and 4:15 p. m.

Business sessions open at 9 a. m. and 1:30 p. m.

Adjournment, 11:45 a. m. and 4:45 p. m.

The following brethren were received as advisory members: Rev. J. N. Lenker, Rev. A. H. Burk, Rev. S. B. Barnitz, Rev. J. A. Clutz, D. D., Rev. A. J. Bean.

The following were received as corresponding members: Rev. J. E. Floren, of the Swedish Lutheran church, Rev. Dr. Bishop, of the Presbyterian church, Rev. A. N. See, of the M. E. church, Rev. S. D. Storrs, agent for American Bible Society.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. M. F. Rinker.

Devotional service conducted by the President.

SECOND SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 22, 1890, 1:30 P. M.

Opened with prayer by Rev. S. G. Dornblaser.

On motion, the President appointed Rev. J. B. McAfee, Rev. G. A. Bowers, D. D., and Mr. C. C. Sherwood, a Special Committee on Temperance.

Reporters for the Press.

The following were appointed as correspondents for the respective papers mentioned, of the proceedings of this Convention:

Lutheran Observer—Rev. T. F. Dornblaser.
Lutheran Evangelist—Rev. C. A. Eyler.
Associated Press—Rev. E. B. Killinger.
Salina Papers—Rev. C. W. Maggart.
Hutchinson Papers—Rev. J. A. Lowe.
Wichita Papers—Rev. W. L. Seabrook.
Denver Papers—Rev. C. J. Kiefer.
Kansas City Papers—Rev. J. M. Cromer.
Atchison Papers—Rev. W. F. Rentz.
Topeka Papers—Rev. F. M. Porch.
Lawrence Papers—Rev. H. L. Yarger.
Leavenworth Papers—Rev. C. A. Eyler.
Emporia Papers—Rev. S. G. Dornblaser.
Abilene Papers—T. E. Dewey, Esq.

Roll of pastorates was called and the Parochial Reports and Reports on the State of Religion were read by the pastors, followed by remarks from the Lay Delegates present. The reading of Sunday-school statistics was omitted.

Ordered that 4 o'clock p. m. be fixed as the time to hear Rev. J. N. Lenker, Western Secretary of the Board of Church Extension, present the work of that Board.

Closed with prayer by Rev. A. H. Burk.

Devotional services led by Rev. J. A. Lowe.

EVENING SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 22, 1890, 7:30 P. M.

The subject for the evening's consideration was "Church Extension."

Rev. T. F. Dornblaser, Synodical Missionary, delivered an address, and was followed by Rev. J. N. Lenker, Western Secretary of the Board of Church Extension.

Following the Synodical service was a reception tendered the members and delegates of the Synod and the Woman's Synodical Convention. Mrs. Alice G. Bond, of Salina, presided.

An address of welcome was given by Mrs. C. W. Maggart, of Salina, Kan., to which Mrs. H. L. Yarger, of Lawrence, Kan., responded in behalf of the delegates to the Missionary Convention, and Revs. W. M. Sparr, F. D. Altman, G. A. Bowers, D. D., J. N. Lenker, in behalf of the clerical members and visitors.

Refreshments were served in the Sunday-school rooms, and an hour of delightful social intercourse enjoyed.

THIRD SESSION.

THURSDAY, OCT. 23, 1890, 9 A. M.

Opened with prayer by Rev. H. Acker.

Rev. S. D. Storrs, State Agent of the American Bible Society,

Topeka, Kan., was received as a corresponding member, and granted the privilege of presenting the work of that Society.

Report of Treasurer.

Mr. A. L. Selig, Treasurer, made his annual report, which was referred to proper Committee. (See Report of Treasurer at close of Minutes.)

In view of the excellent report rendered by the Treasurer, by unanimous vote, Synod arose and sang "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow," and was led in prayer by the President.

The devotional service was conducted by Rev. J. M. Cromer.

FOURTH SESSION.

THURSDAY, OCT. 23, 1890, 1:30 P. M.

Opened with prayer by Rev. W. F. Rentz.

The following was unanimously passed:

Resolved, That a page of our Minutes be given to the publication of the statistics of the Evangelical Lutheran Church throughout the world, which is in stereotype form at our Publication House.

Report of Committee No. 1—On President's Report.

The following report was rendered, and adopted item by item:

The document committed to us is the report of the President of Synod. This is an exceedingly interesting and meritorious paper. The report is concise and terse in its statements, and yet it is full and complete in its exhibit of the events which have transpired on our Synodical territory during the year.

As all the topics of the report will come to the notice of the Synod through the reports of other committees, we deem it unnecessary to invade their domain or to anticipate their reports.

Your committee, however, offer the following recommendations:

1. That a committee of three persons be appointed to arrange for a memorial service to be held by the Synod in memory of our beloved brother, the late Rev. Geo. D. Gotwald.

2. That all the official acts of the President be hereby declared approved and verified by the Synod, and also that its appreciative gratitude be expressed to the President for the very efficient and satisfactory manner in which he has discharged his onerous duties.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. A. BOWERS,
CHARLES MARTIN,
H. L. LARK.

By motion, the President was appointed Chairman of the Committee to arrange for the "Gotwald Memorial Service." Rev. J. B. McAfee and Rev. W. F. Rentz, were named as the other members of the Committee.

Report of Committee on Beneficiary Education.

Mr. President and Brethren of the Kansas Synod: We now have on our funds seven worthy beneficiary students, young men who are acquitting themselves nobly, and who, we believe, have fairly earned our confidence and the aid of the Church. In addition to those named in last year's report, we have Mr. Frank Flemming, from Abilene, Kan. From all that we could learn from the Faculty, and from our personal acquaintance, as well as from personal conversation with these young men, in which we urged self-help as much as possible, we have concluded to recommend the different applicants for help during the ensuing year, as follows:

1.	Messrs. Robert Shaffer, S. M. Lescher, and Paul Tonsing	$175 00 each.
2.	Mr. E. P. Schueler	150 00
3.	Mr. E. E. Schantz	140 00
4.	Mr. W. G. Hoffer	125 00
5.	Mr. I. B. Heisey	100 00
6.	Mr. Frank Flemming	60 00

These we candidly believe to be worthy applicants, worthy of our prayers and support, men whom we can conscientiously ask aid for from our churches to help into the ministry of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Your Committee recommend that the apportionment of this Synod be fixed at 30 cents per member for this year for Beneficiary Education.

J. H. STOUGH,
J. A. LOWE,
W. F. RENTZ.

After the reception of this report item by item, the following action was taken:

Resolved, That this Synod will receive no more beneficiary students upon its funds who shall not have prepared themselves for the freshman classes in our colleges, provided such preparation might have been obtained at their homes.

Synod closed with prayer by Rev. J. B. McAfee.

Rev. B. F. Hills conducted the devotional services.

EVENING SESSION.

THURSDAY, OCT. 23, 1890, 7:30 P. M.

The services were under the direction of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society.

A paper written by Mrs. J. M. Schauer, of Atchison, Kan., on "Our First Decade," was read by Mrs. M. F. Stewart, of Peabody, Kan.

Rev. Dr. Chas. Martin, in response to a request from the President, made a few remarks congratulating the women of the Lutheran Church on the excellent work being done by them.

A selection entitled "Patch-work" was recited by Miss Florence Bond, of Salina, Kans., after which an offering was made for the mission in Sacramento, Cal., and the benediction pronounced by the President of Synod.

FIFTH SESSION.

FRIDAY, OCT. 24, 1890, 9 A. M.

Opened with prayer by Rev. J. W. Thomas.

The following was adopted as the sense of the Synod:

WHEREAS, The General Synod at its last Convention at Allegheny City, ordered the printing of the Book of Common Service reported by the committee, co-operating with committees from the General Council and United Synod of the South, bound in the same volume with the older simpler Service; and,

Whereas, The appointment of that committee contemplated the preparing of a Book of Worship, which, as embodying well recognized Lutheran liturgical usage, would be generally acceptable to the pastors and churches of the General Synod; and,

Whereas, No opportunity for general scholarly discussion of the character and claims of the Book of Common Service was afforded the church, such as was wisely provided for in the case of the Provisional Catechism; and,

Whereas, The discussion of the Book of Common Service, since its ordering by the General Synod, has revealed the fact that the oversight of free preliminary discussion of the Book in the District Synods, represented in the General Synod, has not resulted in the unanimity desirable in so important a step. Therefore;

Resolved, That the Kansas Synod would rejoice greatly in any action of the General Synod, at its coming Convention, looking to the healing of the divided state of sentiment on the Book of Common Service.

Report of Committee No. 3—On Admission of Churches.

The following report was handed in by this Committee, which was adopted item by item:

Your Committee has had two applications put into its hands, one from Garrett, Anderson co., Kan., and one from Wichita, Kan.

1. The congregation at Garrett organized August 10, 1890, under the supervision of Rev. T. F. Dornblaser, with 17 members, adopting the constitution recommended by the Board of Home Missions, and electing the following officers: E. S. Doll, I. Engleman, John W. Doll, Daniel Smith, Jacob Blum, Mrs. M. E. Smith, Mrs. Savilla Barrett. This organization is looking for a suitable lot on which to build a house of worship. It is also putting forth an effort to secure the services of a regular pastor.

2. The Lutherans of Wichita organized the first Sunday of last November, (6th), 1889, with 38 members, adopting Constitution of Home Mission Board, and electing three elders and three deacons.

1. Our Committee recommend that Garrett be admitted and entered on the roll of churches.

2. Owing to the complications connected with the organization at Wichita, we recommend that the pastor, Rev. W. L. Seabrook, be heard, and that the congregation be received.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. CROMER,
W. F. RENTZ.

Report of Committee No. 11—On Vacant Churches.

Your Committee on Vacant Congregations would respectfully report that we find an unusual number of vacancies within the bounds of our Synod. Owing to the lack of Home Mission funds, it behooves our vacant congregations to group themselves into self-sustaining charges as much as possible. After a full conference with the delegates and representatives from these various fields, your Committee would recommend the following arrangement or re-arrangement of pastorates:

1. That Mt. Zion, of Banner City, St. Paul's, of Lost Springs, and St. James, of Dickinson county, be united into one pastorate.

2. That New Cambria be joined with St. Paul's, in Saline county.

3. That Washington and Greenleaf be joined together for the present, and that Barnes be united to Waterville.

4. That Perth and Portland, in Sumner county, constitute a pastorate.

5. That Hardy pastorate soon expects to be supplied with a pastor.

6. Vinland has just become vacant and desires a visit from the President of Synod or the Traveling Secretary.

7. Ottawa and Garrett are forming themselves into a pastorate and expect soon to secure the services of a missionary.

8. With reference to Valley Falls, the committee recommend that it be joined with Effingham, Atchison county.

9. Abilene expects soon to secure a permanent pastor.

The hopeful feature about these vacancies is that they have nearly all sent delegates to this meeting of Synod and are making earnest efforts to secure

permanent pastors. Some are asking for small appropriations from the Board for the present year, and if it is possible, such aid should be granted.

Respectfully submitted, T. F. DORNBLASER,
A. M. GEIGER,
H. A. KOOGLE

Report was adopted.

Resolutions on the Death of Rev. Geo. D. Gotwald.

WHEREAS, God in His inscrutable Providence, whose "ways are in the deep and past finding out," has called from our midst our beloved brother and co-laborer in the ministry, Rev. Geo. D. Gotwald; therefore,

1. *Resolved*, That in the death of Rev. Geo. D. Gotwald we have lost a consecrated brother, who was dear to all our hearts; a man of purest motives and warmest sympathies, whose heart beat in loving unison with every other true heart and for every noble cause; in short, one of the manliest and kindest of men.

2. *Resolved*, That in his death we have lost a model minister and pastor, one whose "life was hid with Christ in God," whose lips were touched with the "living fire," and whose heart evermore "travailed for souls."

3. *Resolved*, That in his demise our church has lost a strong defender, and Midland College a staunch friend and her most liberal benefactor.

4. *Resolved*, That we tender our heartiest condolence to his bereft wife and all the sorrowing circle of friends, and commend them for comfort to the God of all comfort, and pray that God will give them and all of us grace to bow to this sad bereavement.

5. *Resolved*, That we as a Synod unite with the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society in holding appropriate memorial services to this dear brother this afternoon, at 3:30 p. m.

Respectfully submitted, F. D. ALTMAN,
W. F. RENTZ,
J. B. McAFEE.

Adopted by a rising vote.

Report of Special Committee on Temperance.

Your Special Committee on Temperance report as follows:

WHEREAS, By the recent decision of the United States District Court, the "original package" saloons are again thrown open in our State, and our State laws set aside, in the interest of the boldest and most unscrupulous enemy of the Church, an enemy that has no conscience, disregards all laws, keeps no Sabbath, and knows no God; and

Whereas, An almost superhuman effort is now being made to elect State and other officers in the interest of the rum traffic, which is the most prolific source of most of the crimes committed in our land; and

Whereas, Its evil results are marked in its every footstep, filling our penitentiary with criminals, our almshouses and poor-houses with paupers, our asylums with imbeciles and idiots, and our land with poverty and ruin—it brutalizes man, dishonors God and curses human society; and

Whereas, The rum power disregards all constitutional provisions and all laws enacted or adopted for its regulation or suppression; it bids defiance to the moral sentiment of society, corrupts our ballot-boxes and public officials, and whenever possible renders our elections a farce and a fraud; therefore

Resolved, By the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas in convention assembled, that we urge upon our people not only the importance, but the absolute necessity of united effort in thwarting the designs and purposes of this enemy of Christ and His church, and the use of all proper and legitimate means to secure the election of executive, judicial and legislative officials pledged to maintain, strengthen and enforce the Prohibitory laws of our State.

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. McAFEE,
GEO. A. BOWERS,
C. C. SHERWOOD.

Resolutions adopted unanimously by a rising vote.

Report of Committee No. 2—On Treasurer's Report.

Your Committee respectfully report that we have carefully examined the Treasurer's report, together with the vouchers taken by him, and we find the same correct, and recommend its approval.

We commend the neatness, care and promptness of the Treasurer, A. L. Selig.

We recommend, with the suggestion of Bro. Selig, that the Treasurer and his successors in office be required to give bond in the sum of $5,000, the same to be approved by the Board of Trustees.

We further recommend that a duplicate of every receipt issued by the Treasurer be filed with the Secretary of Synod at the time of its issuance, said duplicate to be turned over to this Committee annually at the meeting of Synod.

T. E. DEWEY,
J. H. BERLIN,
L. L. LAKE.

Report adopted.

Closed with prayer by Rev. D. Scholl.

Prayer service led by Rev. S. Palmer.

SIXTH SESSION.

FRIDAY, OCT. 24, 1890, 1:30 P. M.

Opened with prayer by Rev. H. A. Koogle.

Report of Committee No. 14—On State of Religion.

The Committee has received reports on the State of Religion from twenty pastorates, most of which indicate progress in the different departments of church work.

While none report any special seasons of awakening, yet there seems to have been a steady progress in religious life and activity. This is especially manifest in the report on Benevolence, which has been largely increased. It may be that our Christian people have been bringing in their tithes and offerings into the store-house of the Lord, and are trying Him therewith; and may we not hope and confidently expect that in this Synodical year He will "open unto us the windows of heaven and pour out a blessing such as that there shall not be room to receive it?"

As there is an abounding in this grace of liberality, shall it not be that they shall abound also "in everything, in faith and utterance and knowledge," and in their love one to another, "keeping the unity of the faith in the bonds of peace." Respectfully submitted,

H. ACKER,
D. SCHOLL,
E. S. REES.

Report adopted.

Report of Committee No. 7—On Parochial Reports.

Your Committee herewith presents a tabulated statement of all the parochial reports of the Synod.

(See Appendix at close of Minutes.)

This report, in some respects, is the best ever made to this Synod. The total benevolence is not so large a sum as shown last year, yet more money has been contributed to the work of the different Boards of the Church, and the brethren have been more careful to send their benevolence money through the Treasurer of Synod.

For the first time we can say that every report in this statement agrees with the report of the Treasurer.

We have complied with the instructions of Synod, and tried to collect the statistics of all our Sunday-schools (see table at close of Minutes), and also present a tabulated statement of their membership, literature and finances. In this effort the Committee was only partially successful, as some of the schools failed to report.

There are a few items in this report worthy of the consideration of Synod:

(1) The few schools that have teachers' meetings for lesson study.

(2) The best time of day for opening the schools.

(3) The few schools that possess libraries for the use of the pupils.

(4) The small amount of money contributed by the schools for benevolence.

We would suggest:

First, That the brethren be more prompt in sending in these reports.

Second, That they pay closer attention to the foot notes on the reports, so that there may be strict uniformity, and that if there are any who do not fully

understand how each column is to be filled out, an explanation be made by the President on the floor of Synod.

Third, We ask that an order on the Treasurer be given in favor of the Committee for $3.15, to pay for printing and postage.

Respectfully submitted,

H. L. YARGER,
J. A. LOWE,
J. F. SCHERER.

Report adopted item by item.

Report of Committee No. 8—On Devotional Exercises.

Report of committee was adopted. (See Appendix at close of Minutes.)

Report of Committee on Quarterly Benevolence Envelopes.

Your Committee appointed to prepare and distribute benevolence envelopes would report that 8000 were sent out to the ministers of the Synod during the year. We find them very helpful, and would recommend that a committee be appointed to prepare and distribute the benevolence envelopes for the coming year. We would suggest that all desiring these envelopes should send in their application to the Chairman of this Committee as soon after Synod as possible, stating the number desired of each kind.

Respectfully submitted,

F. D. ALTMAN,
J. A. LOWE,
F. M. PORCH.

Report adopted.

Report of Committee No. 4—On Correspondence.

Your Committee beg leave to report the following:

1. A letter from Rev. H. H. Weber, Secretary of the Board of Church Extension, regretting that he cannot attend this Convention, wishing us God's blessing, and requesting us to remember in our prayers the work of the Board.

Your Committee recommend that this Synod regret that Bro. Weber could not be with us, and that we remember the Board and its work at a throne of grace.

2. A letter from Rev. John J. Young, President of the Board of Directors of the German Theological Seminary of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States, located at Chicago, requesting attention to the following resolution passed by the General Synod at its last Convention:

Resolved, That each congregation of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, be asked to take up a generous collection between this and the 15th day of September next, and thus free the institution of all incumbrance, and make its property truly their own.

Your Committee suggest that the interests of this seminary be commended to the churches of this Synod, in the hope that they will contribute generously to it according to the above resolution.

3. Is a letter of acknowledgment to our President Sparr, from the United States Census Office, acknowledging and thanking him for statistics of our Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. LOWE,
A. B. KIRTLAND,
A. G. JOHNSON.

Report adopted.

Report of Board of Directors of the Synodical Missionary.

In connection with this report, Rev. T. F. Dornblaser, Synodical Missionary, made a report of the work done by him since called to this work.

The members of the Missionary Board of Kansas Synod held meetings during the year.

At the first meeting, Rev. W. M. Sparr was elected President, Rev. G. D. Gotwald, Secretary, and A. E. Wagner, Treasurer.

The vacancy caused by the death of Rev. G. D. Gotwald was filled by the election of Rev. T. F. Dornblaser as Secretary.

At the meeting of the Board, April 15, 1890, Rev. T. F. Dornblaser was elected Synodical Missionary, to serve from June 1, 1890, to November 1, 1890, at a salary of one hundred dollars per month and his necessary traveling expenses; and Rev. F. M. Porch was elected Secretary of the Board.

Rev. T. F. Dornblaser resigned as member of the Board.

VACANCIES.

The death of Rev. G. D. Gotwald and the resignation of Rev. T. F. Dornblaser, and the removal from the State of C. H. Lebold, make three vacancies to be filled by this Synod.

Rev. T. F. Dornblaser began his work as Synodical Missionary June 1st, and will present a summary of his monthly reports.

We recommend—

First, That the vacancies in the Board, as above indicated, be filled.

Second, That 20 cents per member be apportioned for the Synodical Missionary Fund, from which we would realize about $600; and that the other $800 necessary to carry on this work be secured by pledges obtained at this Synod and elsewhere, and by collections made by the Synodical Missionary.

In behalf of the Board,

F. M. PORCH, *Secretary.*

Report of the Traveling and Corresponding Secretary of the Synod of Kansas.

TOPEKA, KANSAS, OCTOBER 21, 1890

To the Officers and Members of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas—My Dear Brethren: You will pardon me if I abbreviate my report on this occasion so as to avoid the unnecessary repetition of what has been or may be presented to you in other written or printed documents.

My monthly reports are in the hands of the "Board of Directors," and are open to the inspection of any member of this Synod. Although under contract with this "Board" since the first of June, 1890, nevertheless I regard myself as a servant of this Synod, and it is therefore fitting that I should present a general review and forecast of the work in hand.

POINTS VISITED.

Minneapolis, installation of Rev. M. F. Rinker, by order of the President, one Sabbath. Washington, one Sabbath. Barnes and Greenleaf, one Sabbath. Hardy and Waterville, week day addresses. Norcatur, Communion, one Sabbath. Manchester, week-day address. Bunker Hill and Wilson, week-day addresses. Ellsworth, week-day address. New Cambria and St. James, one Sabbath. Chapman, week-day address. Ottawa, three Sabbaths. Garnett, Central City and Greeley, four Sabbaths. Pittsburgh, one Sabbath. Portland and Walton Centre, one Sabbath. Wellington and Perth, one Sabbath. Wichita, week-day address. White Water, one Sabbath, and Leavenworth, one Sabbath.

In the beginning of September my work was interrupted for two weeks by a call to the bedside of a sick mother in Pennsylvania. During my absence I preached one sermon and delivered three missionary addresses.

VACANT POINTS REQUIRING SPECIAL ATTENTION.

1. Ottawa and Garnett. These points have been supplied almost regularly every two weeks during the last four months by the President, Rev. W. M. Sparr, Dr. A. M. Geiger, Rev. J. F. Scherer, and the Traveling Secretary.

Ottawa has a neat chapel situated in the southwest suburbs. A street-car line recently extended in that direction makes it much more accessible to church-goers than formerly. It has seventeen communicant members, an active Woman's Missionary Society, and can raise two hundred and fifty dollars for the support of a pastor.

Garnett, the county seat of Anderson county, was organized on the tenth day of August, 1890, with a charter membership of seventeen. (This congregation has adopted the Constitution recommended by the Board of Home Missions, and will make application for membership in this body at this meeting of Synod.) Suitable lots for a church building have already been selected, and plans are in operation to secure them. At present the United Brethren church is rented for services every two weeks. The congregation can raise three hundred dollars for pastor's salary—over half of this amount is already subscribed. With the disposition at present manifested, it would not seem difficult to raise fifteen hundred dollars toward the erection of a church building during the coming year.

Central City and Greeley, the one point ten miles west, the other the same distance east, each containing four or five Lutheran families, could be taken up as preaching stations and organized into a pastorate with Garnett.

In our lengthy and persistent correspondence with the Board of Home

Missions, concerning the importance of sustaining Ottawa and Garnett, it has been recommended, in view of the lack of funds, to request these two points to unite themselves into one pastorate for the present, and the Board will make an appropriation sufficient to secure the services of a suitable man.

Several brethren have visited these points, and it is hoped and believed that these two important points will soon be supplied by a permanent pastor.

2. Washington, Greenleaf and Barnes. By direction of the President of Synod, Rev. S. B. Hyman was sent to supply these points until they should secure a permanent pastor. After a somewhat extended canvass of this field by house-to-house visitation, I am persuaded there is plenty of Lutheran and un-Lutheran material to work on in this territory.

In answer to our urgent request made to the Board of Home Missions to come to the aid of this field, we were again reminded of the lack of funds, and it was also recommended by the General Secretaries that these three points should be organized into a self-supporting charge. Rev. J. F. Sponseller and Rev. J. E. Maurer also visited this field in the last few months, either of whom, we doubt not, would be acceptable to the people, and would do good work.

The importance of combining convenient points into self-sustaining pastorates is very much emphasized by our Boards at the present time. This suggestion comes to us with peculiar force, when we remember that nearly one-fourth of all the Home Mission funds of the General Synod are appropriated annually to mission points within the bounds of the Kansas Synod. Some of these missions have been on the funds of the Board for fifteen years, and the prospects for self-support are not as good as they were ten years ago. We could not advise the abandonment of such points, but wherever it is possible, we should strengthen them by organizing preaching stations within supporting distance. Many pastorates in Pennsylvania and Ohio consist of three and four congregations. If each point was isolated and alone, it would not be self-supporting to-day. It may not be wise to multiply the number of organizations unduly, but the establishment of preaching stations within supporting distance of the points already organized should certainly be encouraged.

Our strongest rivals in Christian work do not hesitate to organize a church in every school district, if a few earnest souls can be found who are willing to lodge the itinerant preacher once a month. These suggestions will apply to nearly all our vacant points in Kansas. In view of strengthening the weak places, we would suggest the grouping of these points as far as it is practicable. For instance, let Perth be joined with Portland and Walton Centre, Bunker Hill with Wilson, Norcatur with Oberlin and Long Island, Valley Falls with points in the country.

"Strengthen the things that remain." Our churches need a *spiritual* awakening. Our people are liberal, but there are not enough of them. We need accessions of consecrated men and women who will help push forward the work. The increase from the children born and reared in the Church is too slow in the new West. We must press the claims of the Gospel upon the

unsaved outside of the Church. In the older communities the class of catechumens gathered and instructed annually by the pastor and confirmed on Easter will equal, if not exceed, the losses sustained by death and removals. Here we must employ a more aggressive method of evangelization, or the masses will remain unchurched and our membership become scattered and depleted. The catechism is an excellent sickle in the hands of a reaper, but it is only a sickle. We need a system of evangelism that cuts a wider swath. The unsaved are in the majority in almost every community.

It might be well if our Secretaries would devote more of their time to building up the waste places than to seeking out *new* places. Paul charged Timothy to "do the work of an evangelist." Pastors, teachers and evangelists are needed "for the perfecting of the saints, for the edifying of the body of Christ." Many of our pastors are planning for an aggressive campaign in this coming year, by which they hope to enlarge the borders of Zion, "to lengthen her cords and strengthen her stakes."

POINTS OF SPECIAL IMPORTANCE RECENTLY OCCUPIED.

1. Leavenworth and Wichita are points of vital interest to this Synod. The one, the oldest and one of the principal cities in Eastern Kansas; the other, the youngest and most important commercial centre in the Southwestern part of the State.

The difficulties in these two fields are very similar, and their needs are identical. A house of worship, centrally located, is the great need in both. A comfortable church home would greatly strengthen the work. Many who now stand aloof would then identify themselves with the work. Our missionaries in these points are doing all that can be done to gather and hold together our Lutheran material. These brethren cannot suceeed without the liberal support of the Boards, and the sympathy and co-operation of this Synod.

PROSPECTIVE POINTS.

1. Kansas City, Kansas. During the last few years this city has advanced to the proud position of the *metropolis* of Kansas. We have no name or habitation as yet in that gateway to our great and growing Commonwealth. It may be that the time is not yet here for us to set up our banners. It is not hard to set up the banner, but to maintain it is the difficulty. The question is, have we the money and the material on the ground to guarantee success. Some who are best able to judge seem to think we have not. The lack of funds on the part of the Boards has also caused us to hesitate in planting our church in this field.

2. Arkansas City, Independence and Fort Scott are all in the same category. Our lack of ability is all that keeps us from occupying these important centres. But it behooves us to watch our opportunity.

THE FINANCIAL PROBLEM.

The difficulty of sustaining this Synodical Missionary and evangelistic work will no doubt engage the serious attention of this Synod at this time.

One reason why I feel free in speaking of this matter is that my engage-

ment with the "Board of Directors" ends with this meeting of Synod. I have been in this business long enough to know that it is not a position to be coveted by one who seeks ease and the comforts of home. There are some discouraging features that present themselves.

The almost total failure of crops in the western half of the State has very seriously crippled some of our churches. Besides this, and possibly greater than this, is the loss of two of our ablest and most enthusiastic supporters.

No one will dispute the fact that the revival of this work at the last meeting of our Synod was due to the efforts of our lamented and beloved Brother Gotwald. His liberal subscription, and verbal assurance of additional support are sufficient evidence of the warm interest which he felt in the work.

Although he did not live to see the work inaugurated, yet his faithful and sorrowing wife promptly paid the amount of his pledge into the hands of our Treasurer. Were he alive to-day, and sitting among us, he would still, I doubt not, be an ardent supporter of this work, and his strong and liberal hand would assist immensely in solving this financial problem.

Another brother, on whom we leaned in the past, who, a few years ago, proposed to put a State Evangelist in the field at his own charges, was compelled, through financial misfortune, even to withdraw the liberal subscription he had made to this work one year ago. With these serious and irretrievable losses from the ranks of our supporters, we look with some trembling into the future.

It does not seem that many, or at least a sufficient number, are willing to make the necessary sacrifices to maintain this work. Nearly three-fourths of the amount contributed toward the support of this work during the past five months has come from the poorly-paid ministers of the Kansas Synod. Some who receive the smallest salaries have contributed ten dollars and over to this special work. Rev. D. S. Altman the other day sent us one dollar, which was contributed by a poor widow, the mother of six small children, supporting them with the labor of her own hands, and when it was suggested to her that she had better use this money for the benefit of her own family, she insisted that a part of her income, though small, belonged to the Lord.

The Pittsburgh Synod has for some years kept a Missionary President in the field, supporting him by an assessment per member, but this plan would not be practicable in our Synod, as our membership is yet too small.

In the Nebraska Synod the Traveling Secretary is supported wholly by voluntary contributions. The Missouri Lutherans have two men engaged in general missionary work in this State. Their support is obtained by collections and by means of missionary festivals held monthly or quarterly in different parts of the field.

At the last meeting of the Allegheny Synod, a committee was appointed to put a Synodical missionary in the field. If this work is to be continued in the Synod of Kansas, some action must be taken to justify the "Board of Directors" in employing such a missionary.

LIST OF CONTRIBUTORS.

It is not necessary in this general report to give an itemized list of all the contributors, as they already appear in other reports.

It would be proper in this report to make some special mention of the individuals and churches that have contributed so liberally, of the brethren in other Synods who have paid their ten and twenty-five dollar subscriptions toward this work; of the uniform courtesy with which the brethren welcomed us to their churches; of the bright future for Midland College as viewed from the number of prospective students with whom we conversed in our travels; but we refrain from burdening the Synod with any further reference to this work, except to subjoin a summarized statement of our monthly reports from the first of June, 1890, to the twenty-first of October, 1890.

SUMMARY—JUNE 1ST TO OCT. 21ST, 1890.

Miles traveled	4466	Sermons preached	44
Points visited	32	Addresses delivered. . .	27
Churches organized. . . .	1	Families visited.	131
Letters written.	244	Collections for State work .	$132 62
Pledges for State work rec'd.	$103 35	Traveling expenses. . . .	$46 92

Paid to Rev. F. M. Porch, Secretary of the "Board of Directors," July 30, 1890, $23.60, and September 27, $17.90; total $41.50.

Remaining in hands of Traveling Secretary, $91.12.

Respectfully submitted, T. F. DORNBLASER,

Traveling and Corresponding Secretary.

Rev. Geo. D. Gotwald Memorial Service, 3:30 P. M.

According to a previous arrangement with the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society, a joint service was held by the two bodies in honor of our departed brother and co-laborer, Rev. Geo. D. Gotwald.

Mrs. J. M. Searies, of Kansas City, Kan., and Mrs. Wm. B. DeWees, of Salina, Kan., both former parishioners of the dedeceased, read papers on the character and work of their pastor and friend.

Revs. F. D. Altman, J. A. Lowe, H. L. Yarger, and Dr. J. A. Clutz, gave personal reminiscenses of the deceased, and spoke of his inestimable service to our church in the West.

"More holiness give me"—the favorite hymn of the deceased—was sung, after which Rev. S. B. Barnitz pronounced the benediction.

The services throughout were deeply impressive.

EVENING SESSION.

FRIDAY, OCT. 24TH, 1890, 7:30 P. M.

The subject assigned for this evening was "*Missions.*"

Rev. W. L. Seabrook, of Wichita, delivered an address on Home Missions, taking as his theme "Home Missions in relation to the Kingdom of God."

The address on Foreign Missions was delivered by Rev. W. F. Rentz, of Atchison. Text, Mark xvi. 15.

SEVENTH SESSION.

SATURDAY, OCT. 25, 1890, 9 A. M.

Opened with prayer by Dr. J. A. Clutz.

Rev. S. B. Barnitz was received as an advisory member, and, on motion, 10:30 a. m. was set as the time to have him present the work of the Board of Home Missions.

Ordered, that the order of business for 1:30 p. m. be the election of Delegates to the General Synod.

A committee of three was appointed to nominate persons to fill the vacancies in the Board of Directors of the Synodical Missionary.

The chair appointed Dr. G. A. Bowers, Rev. T. F. Dornblaser and Rev. J. A. Lowe.

Resolved, That the Advisory Board of Synod be kindly requested to consider the Wichita matter, and present its report during the sessions of the present Convention.

Report of Committee No. 13—On Synodical Calendar.

Your Committee beg leave to submit the following report (Standing Committees, page 4):

Your Committee recommend—

1. That the evening services at the coming Convention be devoted to the preaching of Gospel sermons, and that the Secretaries of our Boards be requested to present their claims during the day sessions of Synod.

2. That the officers of Synod, with the pastor *loci*, be appointed a committee to arrange for the evening services during the sessions of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. SCHERER,
J. F. SPONSELLER,
W. H. H. BETZ.

Report adopted.

The committee appointed to nominate members to fill the vacancies in the Board of Directors of Synodical Missionary reported the following nominations:

For three years—Rev. W. F. Rentz, Rev. J. B. McAfee; two years—Mr. A. L. Selig.

Report received and nominees elected by acclamation.

Rev. J. A. Bright, Secretary of the State Sunday-school Association, was given ten minutes to present the work of that Association.

A letter was read from Rev. J. S. Detweiler, D. D., Secretary of the Board of Education, which was referred to Committee on Correspondence.

Closed with prayer by Rev. J. A. Bright.

EIGHTH SESSION.

SATURDAY, OCT. 25, 1890, 1:30 P. M.

Opened with prayer by Rev. E. B. Killinger.

By common consent, J. M. Searles, of Kansas City, Kan., was given opportunity to speak of the prospects of establishing a Lutheran church in that city.

Election of Delegates to General Synod.

Revs. W. F. Rentz, J. M. Cromer, and J. E. Maurer, were appointed tellers. The result was as follows:

CLERICAL DELEGATES.

Primarii.	*Secundi.*
Rev. W. F. Rentz,	Rev. A. M. Geiger, D. D.,
Rev. F. D. Altman,	Rev. G. A. Bowers, D. D.,
Rev. W. H. Wynn, D. D.,	Rev. J. E. Maurer,
Rev. H. L. Yarger,	Rev. J. F. Sponseller,
Rev. J. A. Lowe.	Rev. C. A. Eyler.

LAY DELEGATES.

Primarii.	*Secundi.*
H. L. Lark,	J. H. Berlin,
J. B. McAfee,	R. B. Storm,
A. E. Wagner, Esq.,	George Kistler,
J. M. Searles, Esq.,	T. E. Dewey, Esq.,
J. W. Kraft.	C. C. Sherwood.

Report of Committee on Midland College.

Pending the reception of this report, Dr. J. A. Clutz, President of Midland College, was asked to speak on the present condition and prospects of the institution.

Your Committee to whom the interests of Midland College were referred, would report:

1. That the College building costing $26,000 has been entirely paid for by the city of Atchison, and together with the campus of 20 acres, now belongs to the Board of Education absolutely free of encumbrance.

2. During the year $500 worth of scientific apparatus and other needed supplies, also several hundred volumes of books for the library, have been donated by friends. The institution is still in need of increased facilities, and is kindly commended to the consideration of all.

3. Eight rooms for students have been furnished by friends, at a cost of $50 each. Twelve rooms remain unfurnished, which will no doubt be needed during the year. We would recommend the worthy object to congregations, Sunday-schools, Missionary Societies, or individuals.

4. The attendance of students is larger this session than it was last year at the same time, which is cause for gratitude. We recommend that all pastors and laymen be urged to use their influence to increase this number by recommending Midland College to all seeking a thorough education.

5. With heartfelt gratitude to God, we call attention to the generous endowment of the President's chair by our sainted brother, Rev. Geo. D. Gotwald. With deep regret we note that only $200 have been pledged towards the Kansas Synod Endowment Fund. We recommend that Rev. T. F. Dornblaser, Rev. F. M. Porch, and Mr. H. L. Lark, be appointed as a standing committee to prosecute this work.

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. EYLER,
F. M. PORCH,
A. L. SELIG.

Report adopted.

Report of Committee No. 10—On Literature.

Your Committee would report the following in regard to the literature of the Church:

I. CHURCH PAPERS.

Resolved, That we recognize the worth of the *Lutheran Observer*, *Lutheran Evangelist* and the *Missionary Journal*, noting with special pleasure the marked improvement of the *Evangelist*, and that the introduction of these into every family of the church is of great importance to the individual and to the church at large, and that pastors and church officers be urged to place at least one of these periodicals into each family, and to provide means by which this may be done for families which are not able to secure them for themselves.

II. SUNDAY-SCHOOL SUPPLIES.

Resolved, That we recognize the efficiency and great worth of the "Augsburg Teacher," "Augsburg Lesson Book" and other Sabbath-school literature, and that we urge the use of our own literature wherever it is possible, but that we deprecate the use of the "Augsburg Teacher" as a means of insisting on the merits of the Common Service.

III. OTHER CHURCH PUBLICATIONS AND THE PUBLISHING HOUSE.

Resolved, That our own publications and our own Publication House be patronized always in preference to any other, in the purchasing of books, Sunday-school libraries, tracts, etc.

IV. PROVISIONAL CATECHISM.

In regard to this catechism, without entering into a critical review of the work, while acknowledging its merit in many respects, yet in view of the fact that we are already well supplied with catechisms, and especially because of the existence of the editions of Luther's Smaller Catechism published by the General Synod, and because of the fact, which is already apparent, that the adoption of the Provisional Catechism will cause difficulty in the church, and make it necessary for us always to define our position on some of the doctrines treated of in the catechism; therefore

Resolved, That the delegates of this body to the General Synod at Lebanon, Pa., be, and hereby are, instructed to use their influence and their votes against the adoption and publication of this catechism by the General Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

C. J. KIEFER,
S. G. DORNBLASER,
WM. H. SHIRAR.

Report adopted item by item.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. J. F. Sponseller.

This session was followed by preparatory services, Rev. J. F. Scherer, of Chapman, preaching the sermon.

EVENING SESSION.

SATURDAY, OCT. 25TH, 1890, 7:30 P. M.

"Christian Education" was the subject for the evening.

Rev. W. H. Wynn, D. D., of Atchison, delivered a scholarly address to a large audience. Text, Matt. xi. 29.

NINTH SESSION.

SATURDAY, OCT. 25TH, 1890, 9:30 P. M.

Opened with prayer by Rev. J. B. Umberger.

Moved that a public effort be made to-morrow evening to get pledges for supporting our State Missionary, and that these pledges be secured by Rev. J. A. Bright.

Report of Committee No. 5—On Apportionment.

(For completed Apportionment table, see Appendix at close of Minutes.)

Your Committe would respectfully report that according to the parochial reports there are 3039 members in Kansas Synod, to whom we have apportioned the following for the Synodical year ending the first Tuesday in October, 1891:

Objects.	Per Member	Aggregate.
General Synod Treasury	$0 01½	$45 75
Synodical Treasury	10	303 90
Home Missions	20	607 80
Foreign Missions	20	607 80
Church Extension	20	607 80
Board of Education	7	212 73
Beneficiary Education	30	911 70
Pastors' Fund	4	121 56
Orphan's Home	4	121 56
Synodical Missionary	20	607 80
Total	$1 36½	$4148 40

Fraternally submitted,

A. L. SELIG,
JOHN HOFFER.

Election of Trustees.

By vote, the President was instructed to cast the ballot for Rev. J. M. Cromer and Rev. H. L. Yarger for Trustees for two years.

Report of Committee No. 9—On Resolutions.

WHEREAS, We have heard with pleasure concerning the work of the American Bible Society here in our State, under the direction of Rev. S. D. Storrs. Therefore,

Resolved, That we pledge our sympathy and support to this great work.

Resolved, That we have heard with pleasure concerning the work of Rev. J. A. Bright, General Secretary of the State Sunday-school Association, and extend to him our co-operation in his work.

Resolved, That Rev. J. A. Bright, together with the officers of Synod, be requested to consider, and if practicable, arrange for a State Lutheran Sunday-school Convention in the bounds of our Synod during the coming year.

Resolved, That in harmony with the Sunday laws of the States of our Union, in the interests of public morals and religion, and in compliance with the convictions of the people who respect and keep the Lord's day, we, the members of the 23d Convention of the Synod of Kansas, request the honorable body who have the management of the World's Columbian Exposition, that they order the gates closed to the public on the Lord's day.

Resolved, That we cordially extend the thanks of the Synod to the pastor and members of St. John's Church, Salina, and to the members of other churches, for their generous hospitality; to the Committee on Entertainment for the efficiency of their work, to the choir for the excellent music, to the press associated and local, to Mr. H. E. Mass for the securing of special rates over the different lines of railroads.

Resolved, That the above resolutions be read by the President of Synod on to-morrow evening at the close of service.

W. M. SPARR, *Chairman of Committee.*

Adopted item by item.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. C. W. Maggart.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

SUNDAY, OCT. 26, 1890.

A Sunday-school mass meeting was held at 9:30 a. m., under the direction of Rev. J. A. Bright, Secretary of the State Sunday-school Association.

11 a. m., synodical communion sermon preached by Rev. J. A. Clutz, D. D., of Atchison, Kan.

7:30 p. m. after the ordination sermon by Rev. J. M. Cromer,

of Kansas City, Mo., Jonas Freet, of Manchester, Kan., was ordained to the gospel ministry.

Following this service, an offering of $550 was made to support the Synodical Missionary.

TENTH SESSION.

MONDAY, OCT. 27, 1890, 9 A. M.

Opened with prayer by Rev. W. M. Sparr.

Report of Home Mission and Church Extension Advisory Committee with Reference to Wichita.

Resolved, That we recommend to the Board of Home Missions to continue aid to the mission at Wichita, believing that the future will justify the sacrifice and effort in establishing a church there.

Respectfully submitted,

F. D. ALTMAN,
H. L. YARGER,
A. L. SELIG.

Adopted.

Report of Committee No. 12—On Minutes of Last Meeting.

Your Committee on Last Year's Minutes beg leave to offer the following:

1. On page 23, on vacant churches, we find the mission at Ottawa demanding immediate resumption of the work, and the Advisory Board of Home Missions recommended to urge upon the General Board the necessity of resuming the work in Ottawa as soon as possible. What has been done? Ottawa and Garnett have formed a pastorate and are ready to call a pastor.

2. That Vineland be referred to Bro. D. Scholl for supply. Has this supply been furnished? Yes.

3. On page 33, on literature, we find the following resolutions:

a. That we urge each pastor and congregation to patronize our Publication House whenever possible, especially in the use of Sunday-school literature published by it. What has been the result? Most of our schools use our own literature.

b. That we urge each pastor to make a diligent effort to secure a wider circulation of our church periodicals, including especially the *Lutheran Observer*, *Lutheran Evangelist* and *Missionary Journal*. To what extent has this been complied with? As far as possible.

c. That each pastor be urged to freely circulate missionary literature in addition to our *Journal*, and would recommend for such use the publications of Mr. W. B. Jacobs, 148 Madison St., Chicago, Ills. To what extent has this resolution been complied with? Used by some of the brethren.

4. On page 35, in the report of Committee on Resolutions, we find the following:

That we as a Synod recommend and urge upon our respective congregations the formation of Young People's Societies of Christian Endeavor, and thus encourage an agency which is of untold benefit to the development of our young people in church work. To what extent has this been done? A number of Societies in the bounds of Synod.

5. On page 36 we find the following language: "By motion, it was determined that hereafter the regular Synodical communion service be held on Tuesday evening of Synod week, immediately after the annual sermon of the President." Why was this motion not complied with? An oversight.

Respectfully submitted,

F. M. PORCH,
R. B. WHITEHILL,
JONAS FREET.

Report of Advisory Committee on Home Missions and Church Extension.

Your Committee report that there have been in the Synod of Kansas during the past year fifteen missions aided by the Board of Home Missions to the amount of $6250.

The mission at Hardy became self-sustaining April 1, 1890. Others expect soon to follow. Again, other missions have been able to reduce the amount needed from the Board.

The Board of Home Missions has had under its entire supervision during the past year the mission at Wichita.

Twenty-three churches of our Synod are aided by loans from the Board of Church Extension to the amount of $18,950. The loans to eight of these churches, to the amount of $8700, are now past due. Efforts are being made, and will be completed at an early day, for the payment of about $5200 of the amount past due.

Inasmuch as Leavenworth and Wichita are important fields to us, and as the work is retarded for want of church buildings, therefore we earnestly recommend that the Board of Church Extension make appropriations for these enterprises, and, if it be not contrary to their rules, that they aid in the purchase of well-located lots.

Resolved, That we hereby express our appreciation and gratitude for the assistance rendered by these respective Boards.

Respectfully, W. M. SPARR,
Chairman of Committee.

Adopted.

Moved that 1500 copies of the minutes of this year's session be printed by the Lutheran Publication House, and distributed *pro rata*.

Moved that the Secretary be granted $25 for his services during the coming year.

Report of Committee No. 6—On Leave of Absence.

Mr. President: For satisfactory reasons your Committee have granted leave of absence to the following brethren: Dr. Chas. Martin, Revs. S. Palmer, T. F. Dornblaser, E. S. Rees, and to Messrs. Harry Pratt, D. S. Long, W. H. H. Betz, Isaac Wise and John Gamber.

J. E. MAURER,
B. F. HILLS,
D. S. LONG.

Adopted.

Time and Place of Meeting.

By vote, the Secretary of Synod was instructed to cast the ballot for Emporia as the next place of meeting, and the third Tuesday of October, 1891, fixed as the time.

Report of Committee No. 4—On Correspondence.

Your Committee would report as follows:

1st. A letter from Rev. J. S. Detweiler, D. D., President of the Board of Education. We recommend that the letter be printed in our printed minutes and that we hereby endorse its recommendations; and

WHEREAS, Brother Detweiler has given himself unreservedly to this work of Christian Education, laying himself and family on the altar of consecration, laboring without salary or compensation save that which the Lord provides through his stewards and stewardesses; and

Whereas, The result of the work thus far evidences the favor of our heavenly Father; therefore,

Resolved, That we, as a Synod, heartily commend the great cause of Christian education, and that we will invite and welcome him to our pulpits in the interests of that cause whenever he may be able to visit our territory.

2d. Your Committee has received letters from Revs. S. Henry, J. Schauer, D. S. Altman, Geo. Sanderson, L. C. Groseclose and Prof. J. Howard Stough, Ph.D., giving excuses and asking to be excused for absence from this Convention of Synod.

We recommend that they be excused.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. LOWE,
A. B. KIRTLAND.

Letter of Rev. J. S. Detweiler, D. D.

HARRISBURG, PA., SEPT. 22, 1890.

Dear Brethren: Permit me to remind you of the claims of the Board of Education and the imperative necessity for your hearty support. You are already so well informed concerning the nature and extent of the work entrusted to the Board, I need not write you at length. To the fullest limit of our opportunity we are doing as directed by the General Synod in Convention assembled at Allegheny, Pa. Because needful for the interests of the Church,

and thereby serving the Divine Master, Carthage College, Carthage, Ill., and Midland College, Atchison, Kan., have been promised the support of the entire Church. The Synod of Kansas shares in this responsibility, and has therefore been apportioned $168 for the work of the Board of Education. Hence I am emboldened to kindly remind you of your obligation and respectfully ask of you the following:

1. That you consider Christian education of prime importance in your benevolence, and encourage the speedy and full payment of this apportionment.

2. Inasmuch as the college year ends in the month of May, when all accounts should be settled, that you make every possible endeavor to forward the entire amount to our Treasurer on or before May 31, 1891.

3. That you observe the Day of Prayer for Colleges: (1) By a special appeal for contributions; (2) By sermons or addresses on the subject of Christian education, and (3) By special prayer for all our institutions, patrons, trustees, teachers and students.

4. That through the entire year you keep Christian education continually before the people, by sermons, public prayer, prayer-meeting topics and personal addresses.

The foremost need of our Church at this hour is education, not for the sake of scholarship, but for the evangelization of the world by means of an educated ministry, seconded and supported by laymen likewise educated in a Christian college.

For the Board of Education.

Very fraternally yours, J. S. DETWEILER,
President.

Ordered that hereafter reports on state of religion be sent to the President of Synod, and mention be made in his annual report of the state of religion in the Synod.

Resolved, That a committee of three be now appointed on the Minutes of this Convention, to present a report early in the sessions of next Convention. The President appointed Rev. C. J. Kiefer, Rev. W. M. Sparr, and Mr. H. L. Lark.

Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to prepare blank forms for reports on the state of religion, to include in said form such items as most naturally come under such report.

After reading a Scripture lesson, and prayer by the President, the Twenty-third Annual Convention closed.

H. L. YARGER,
Secretary of the Synod of Kansas.

MINISTERIUM.

FIRST SESSION.

SALINA, KANSAS; OCT. 25TH, 1890, 4 P. M.

The Ministerium convened in the lecture room, and was opened with prayer by Rev. J. M. Cromer.

The Examining Committee made their report, and recommended Jonas Freet for ordination.

Recommendation adopted.

Letter was read from Rev. S. B. Hyman, asking to have his ordination certificate cancelled. Pending discussion of the matter Ministerium adjourned, to meet at the call of the President.

Closed with prayer by Rev. C. J. Kiefer.

SECOND SESSION.

MONDAY, OCT. 27TH, 1890, 11 A. M.

Opened with prayer by Rev. A. M. Geiger.

The following action was taken relative to the case of Rev. S. B. Hyman:

Inasmuch as Rev. S. B. Hyman has placed his ordination certificate in the hands of Synod, and inasmuch as certain accusations have been made to Synod against his moral character; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That Rev. S. B. Hyman stand suspended from the gospel ministry.

2. That we refer the matter to a committee of three who shall proceed at once, according to Article V, Section 13, of the Constitution of Synod, in the matter committed.

On motion, the following were appointed a committee of investigation:

Rev. F. D. Altman, Rev. J. M. Cromer, Rev. A. M. Geiger, D. D.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. W. H. Wynn, D. D.

H. L. YARGER, *Secretary.*

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

The annual meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at Salina, Kan., on Saturday, October 25th, A. D., 1890, the following named Trustees being present: F. D. Altman, W. M. Sparr, T. E. Dewey, J. M. Cromer, and H. L. Yarger.

The following officers were elected by ballot: President, F. D. Altman; Secretary, H. L. Yarger; Treasurer, A. L. Selig.

No special business on hand, the Board adjourned.

H. L. YARGER, *Secretary.*

SERMONS AND ADDRESSES.

Tuesday Evening, October 21st—Annual Synodical Sermon, by Rev. W. M. Sparr, of Eureka, Kans.

Wednesday Evening, October 22d—Church Extension—Addresses by Rev. T. F. Dornblaser, Synodical Missionary, and Rev. J. N. Lenker, Western Secretary of Board of Church Extension.

Thursday Evening, October 23d—Anniversary of Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society. Paper by Mrs. J. M. Schauer, of Atchison. Recitation by Miss Florence Bond, of Salina.

Friday Evening, October 24th—Missions—Home Mission Address by Rev. W. L. Seabrook, of Wichita, Kans., Foreign Mission Address by Rev. W. F. Rentz, of Atchison, Kan.

Saturday Evening, October 25th—Christian Education—Ad-

dress delivered by Rev. Prof. W. H. Wynn, D. D., Professor in Midland College.

Saturday, 4 P. M.—Preparatory Services—Sermon preached by Rev. J. F. Scherer, of Chapman, Kans.

Report of Devotional Committee.

LORD'S DAY SERVICES.

LUTHERAN CHURCH.

Sabbath School, 9:30 a. m.—Rev. J. A. Bright, Abilene.
11 a. m.—Rev. J. A. Clutz, D. D., Atchison.
7:30 p. m.—Rev. J. M. Cromer, Kansas City, Mo.

FIRST M. E. CHURCH.

11 a. m.—Rev. W. H. Wynn, D. D., Atchison.
7:30 p. m.—Rev. F. M. Porch, Topeka.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

11 a. m.—Rev. G. A. Bowers, D. D., Peabody.
7:30 p. m.—Rev. S. B. Barnitz, Des Moines, Iowa.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

11 a. m.—Rev. C. J. Kiefer, Denver.
7:30 p. m.—Rev. W. F. Rentz, Atchison.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

11 a. m.—Rev. W. M. Sparr, Eureka.
7:30 p. m.—Rev. J. A. Lowe, Atchison.

BAPTIST CHURCH.

11 a. m.—Rev. H. L. Yarger, Lawrence.
7:30 p. m.—Rev. S. G. Dornblaser, Emporia.

SWEDISH LUTHERAN CHURCH.

7:30 p. m.—Rev. J. F. Sponseller, Waterville.

Y. M. C. A.

4 p. m.—Rev. J. M. Cromer, Kansas City, Mo., Rev. C. A. Eyler, Leavenworth.

Abilene, Kansas—Rev. W. L. Seabrook.

F. D. ALTMAN,
H. L. YARGER,
C. W. MAGGART,
Devotional Committee.

Report of the Treasurer of the Synod of Kansas for the Synodical Year Ending October 7, 1890.

	Names of Churches and Individual Contributors.		General Synod.	Synodical Treasury	Home Missions	Foreign Missions.	Church Extension	Board of Education	Beneficiary Education	Pastors' Fund.	Orphans' Home	Total Paid on Apportionment.	Apportioned.	Excess	Deficit	For Hutchinson Church	Synodical Missionary	For Flood Sufferers.	American Bible Society	Total Paid to Treasurer
1	Abilene	Trinity	$5 62	$28 10	$41 43	$59 01	$40 83	$55 43	$70 25	$14 05	$14 05	$328 77	$328 77			$33 25				$362 02
2	Atchison	St. Mark's	2 62	13 10	27 51	67 85	27 51	18 51	32 75	6 55	6 55	202 95	153 27	$49 68						[a]227 45
3	Barnes	Messiah			5 57				5 00			10 57	58 50				$24 50			10 57
4	Barnes	Trinity											11 70		$47 93					
5	Banner City	Mt. Zion	60	3 00	9 91	6 30	6 30	7 15	7 85	2 00	1 50	44 61	35 10	9 51	11 70					65 11
6	Banner City	St. Paul's	18	90	1 89	1 89	1 89	63	2 25	45	45	10 53	10 53			5 50	15 00			10 53
7	Chapman	Ebenezer	1 18	5 90	12 39	5 89	12 39	4 12	14 74	2 95	2 95	62 51	69 03		6 52		10 00			72 51
8	Chapman	Scherer Mem'l	36	1 80	3 78	3 78	3 78	1 60	4 50	90	90	21 40	21 06	34						21 40
9	Cedar Vale			2 15								2 15		2 15						2 15
10	Colorado Springs				4 55							4 55		4 55						4 55
11	Denver	Woman's Mem'l	1 10	5 30	15 45	15 40	13 95	3 75	13 25	2 65	2 65	73 50	62 01	11 49						73 50
12	East Norway	East Norway	1 50	7 50	48 75	95 00	28 00	4 90	17 50	4 00	3 50	212 65	81 90	128 75			12 50		$1 00	[b]224 15
13	Emporia	St. Mark's	1 60	8 00	16 80	31 00	16 80	10 90	70 00	4 00	5 20	164 30	93 60	70 70					1 00	165 30
14	Ellsworth	St. Paul's	48	2 40	6 29	2 74	5 04	5 46	6 00	1 20	3 90	33 51	28 08	5 43						33 51
15	Ellsworth	Trinity		1 00	1 00		1 50		1 00			4 50	14 04		9 54					4 50
16	Ellsworth	Excelsior		2 85	2 60		3 20		4 20			12 85	63 18		50 33					12 85
17	Effingham				5 00		5 13		5 60			15 73		15 73						15 73
18	Eureka	Christ's	1 24	6 20	7 02	5 66	7 00	4 34	15 50	3 10	3 10	53 16	72 45		19 38		5 00			58 16
19	Hardy	Union	1 10	2 10	10 55	4 48	4 60	3 75	13 75		2 75	43 08	64 35		21 27					43 08
20	Hardy	Bethel			1 91	1 00	2 33	1 33	5 75			12 32	26 91		14 59					12 32
21	Hays City	Trinity			10 00	15 00	5 00		5 00			35 00	107 64		72 64					[c]35 00
22	Hutchinson	Zion's	58	4 23	6 09	6 09	6 09	2 03	7 25	1 45	1 47	35 28	33 93	1 35			12 50			47 78
23	Kansas City, Mo	First Church	4 15	20 75	44 00	45 00	43 47	14 49	64 20	10 35	10 35	256 76	242 19	14 57						256 76
24	Kansas City, Mo	Children's Mem.	2 10	10 50	21 64	90 00	21 81	29 79	25 79	5 15	6 00	212 58	120 51	92 07			5 00			[d]217 58
25	Lawrence	English Luth.	1 66	8 30	18 55	23 95	20 62	10 06	32 11	4 15	4 15	123 55	97 11	26 44		5 00	22 50	$7 54	1 00	[e]159 59
26	Leavenworth	First English	48	2 40	5 07	5 04	8 84	2 80	6 00	1 20	1 20	33 03	28 08	4 95			5 00			38 03
27	Long Island	St. Paul's											28 08		28 08					
28	Minneapolis	St. Paul's	80	4 00	8 40	8 40	8 40	2 80	10 02	2 00	5 50	50 30	46 80	3 50						50 30
29	Minneapolis	St. John's		94	9 61	7 56	7 56	2 52	2 10		1 15	31 44	42 12		10 68					31 44

[a] Includes $34.25 for Dormitory.
[b] Includes $5 for Dormitory.
[c] Includes $6 for Dormitory.
[d] $10 of this for Steamboat.
[e] Includes $15 for Dormitory.

Report of the Treasurer of the Synod of Kansas—*Continued.*

	Names of Churches and Individual Contributors.		General Synod.	Synodical Treasury	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Church Extension.	Board of Education.	Beneficiary Education	Pastors' Fund.	Orphans' Home.	Total Paid on Apportionment.	Apportioned.	Excess.	Deficit.	For Hutchinson Church.	Synodical Missionary.	For Flood Sufferers.	American Bible Society.	Total Paid to Treasurer.
30	Manchester	St. Paul's	$0 70	$3 50	$7 35	$7 35	$7 35	$2 45	$8 75	$1 75	$1 75	$40 95	$40 95							$40 95
31	Manchester	Zion's	40	2 00	4 20	4 20	4 20	1 40	5 00	1 00	1 00	23 40	23 40							23 40
32	New Cambria	New Cambria		50	1 00	1 00			1 87			4 37	40 95		$36 58					4 37
33	New Cambria	St. James	1 00	3 25	8 25	6 55	4 20		6 10	1 00		30 35	50 31		19 96					30 35
34	Norcatur	Norcatur			3 00		1 50				4 29	8 79	29 25		20 46					8 79
35	Norcatur	Trinity											21 06		21 06					
36	Ottawa	St. Paul's		3 00		95	8 17					12 12	29 25		17 13					12 12
37	Peabody	St. Paul's	1 96	9 80	32 94	140 08	20 89	11 86	29 57	5 00	35 51	287 31	114 60	$172 65			$10 00			297 31
38	Perth	St. James			7 14	5 00	7 64		8 50		1 30	29 58	39 78		10 20	$2 50				32 68
39	Perth	Trinity							1 20			1 20	35 10		33 90					1 20
40	Pawnee City, Neb.	Zion's											14 04		14 04					
41	Salina	St. John's	2 50	10 00	31 95	46 50	39 38	24 47	50 00		3 72	208 52	251 55		43 03	7 00				[1]215 52
42	Salina County	St. Paul's	1 20	4 00	5 00	4 00	4 00	2 00	4 00	1 00	2 00	27 20	70 20		43 00	7 00	5 00			38 20
43	Topeka	First English	3 80	12 75	54 90	26 85	40 03	25 30	47 50	6 45	6 80	224 38	222 30	2 08			23 50			247 88
44	Valley Falls	St. Paul's		6 64	8 82	8 00	10 50	3 30	12 47	2 50	2 50	54 73	58 50		3 77					54 73
45	Vinland	Vinland	46	2 30	1 33	2 00	1 30	1 64	5 00			14 00	26 91		12 91		7 00			21 00
46	Washington	St. Paul's			1 95		1 00	2 63				5 58	53 82		48 24					5 58
47	Waterville	Waterville	76	4 00	[2]3 09	[2]3 15	13 26	2 00	14 31	1 00	1 00	62 57	91 26		28 69	15 00				77 57
48	Waterville	Hebron	62	3 10	6 51	6 51	6 55	2 17	8 15	1 55	1 55	36 71	36 27	44		11 00				47 71
49	Wellington	St. John's									2 50	8 50	58 50		50 00					8 50
50	Whitewater	Zion's	66	3 30	7 66	7 66	5 74	2 31	8 32	1 65	1 65	38 95	38 61	34		5 00			$2 68	46 63
51	Bunker Hill	Mt. Zion	92	4 60	9 71	9 66	9 72	4 26	11 50	2 30	2 30	54 97	53 82	1 15			5 00		1 00	60 97
	Totals for the churches		$42 33	213 96	532 86	790 50	487 17	275 80	$664 58	$91 35	145 19	$3263 76	$3341 52	$617 87	695 63	$90 25	162 50	$7 54	$6 68	$3530 73
	Altman, Rev. D. S.																			
	Bright, " J. A.					1 05						1 05			5 00					6 05
	Ballard, James			1 00	1 00	6 00	1 00	1 00	1 00			11 00			11 00	11 50	10 00			[3]32 50
	Clutz, Rev. J. A.																10 00			10 00
	Detweiler, Rev. J. S.															5 00	5 00			10 00
																	2 50			2 50

[1] Includes $15.00 for Dormitory.

[2] Includes $5.00 for Dormitory.

[1] Includes $5.00 for Dormitory.

Report of the Treasurer of the Synod of Kansas.—*Concluded.*

Names of Churches and Individual Contributors.	General Synod.	Synodical Treasury.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Church Extension.	Board of Education.	Beneficiary Education.	Pastor's Fund.	Orphans' Home.	Total Paid on Apportionment.	Apportioned.	Excess.	Deficit.	For Hutchinson Church.	Synodical Missionary.	For Flood Sufferers.	American Bible Society.	Total Paid to Treasurer.
Dornblaser, Rev. T. F. (collections)															$41 59			$41 59
Dornblaser, Rev. T. F. (personal)														$5 00				5 00
Friends in East, through Dr. Clutz							$150 00			$150 00		$150 00						150 00
Gotwald, Dr. L. A.															25 00			25 00
Gotwald, Rev. and Mrs. Geo. D.							150 00			150 00		150 00		150 00	100 00			400 00
Geiger, Rev. A. M.				$5 00						5 00		5 00						5 00
Heighard, Rev. I. B.				5 00						5 00		5 00						5 00
Henry, Rev. S.		$3 00								3 00		3 00						3 00
Hartsock, Rev. A. J.				10 00						10 00		10 00						110 00
Kountze, Augustus															10 00			10 00
Lenker, Rev. J. N.															6 25			6 25
Nellis, Rev. P. S.			$0 50	2 00						2 50		2 50		1 00				3 50
Rhoades, Mrs M.				1 00						1 00		1 00						[b] 1 00
Reddig, J. B.															10 00			10 00
Stewardess of the Lord, through Dr. Clutz							100 00			100 00		100 00						100 00
Troxell, Rev. M. F.															10 00			10 00
Woman's H. & F. M. Society, balance on printing Minutes 1888		4 18								4 18		4 18						4 18
Total Receipts	$42 33	222 14	554 36	820 55	488 17	276 82	$1065 58	$91 35	145 19	$3706 49	$3341 52	$1060 60	695 63	262 75	397 84	$7 54	$6 68	$4381 30
On hand close of 1889 report	38 60	106 71	104 94	63 53	[a]17 33	11 88	157 07	20 20	17 12	496 72					40 00			536 72
Grand Totals	$74 93	328 85	659 30	884 08	470 84	288 70	$1222 65	111 55	162 31	$4203 21				262 75	397 84	$47 54	$6 68	$4918 02
Disbursed as per Vouchers	60 00	84 27	592 37	743 66	400 00	265 79	1137 45	80 00	100 00	3563 54				262 75	387 84	47 54	6 68	4368 35
Balance in Treasury	$14 93	144 58	$66 93	140 42	$70 84	$22 91	$85 20	$31 55	$62 31	$639 67					$10 00			$649 67

Respectfully submitted,

A. L. SELIG, *Treasurer.*

[a] Overdrawn $17.33.

Note.—Foreign Missions includes $91.35 contributed for Dormitory and $20.00 for Steamboat.

[b] For Dormitory.

[1] For Day's Steamboat.

Apportionment Table, 1890–1891.

	Pastorates.	Congregations.	No. of Members.	General Synod Treasury.	Synodical Treasury.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Church Extension.	Board of Education.	Beneficiary Education.	Pastors' Fund.	Orphans' Home.	Synodical Missionary.	Total.
1	Abilene	Trinity	296	$4 44	$29 60	$59 20	$59 20	$59 20	$20 72	$88 80	$11 84	$11 84	$59 20	$404 04
2	Atchison	St. Mark's	160	2 40	16 00	32 00	32 00	32 00	11 20	48 00	6 40	6 40	32 00	218 40
3	Banner City	Mt. Zion	28	42	2 80	5 60	5 60	5 60	1 96	8 40	1 12	1 12	5 60	38 22
4	Banner City	St. James	43	64	4 30	8 60	8 60	8 60	3 01	12 90	1 72	1 72	8 60	58 69
5	Banner City	St. Paul's	11	17	1 10	2 20	2 20	2 20	77	3 30	44	44	2 20	15 02
6	Bunker Hill	Mt. Zion	52	78	5 20	10 40	10 40	10 40	3 64	15 60	2 08	2 08	10 40	70 98
7	Chapman	Ebenezer	54	81	5 40	10 80	10 80	10 80	3 78	16 20	2 16	2 16	10 80	73 71
8	Chapman	Jacob Scherer Mem'l.	30	45	3 00	6 00	6 00	6 00	2 10	9 00	1 20	1 20	6 00	40 95
9	Denver, Col.	Woman's Memorial.	99	1 49	9 90	19 80	19 80	19 80	6 93	29 70	3 96	3 96	19 80	135 14
10	East Norway	East Norway	69	1 04	6 90	13 80	13 80	13 80	4 83	20 70	2 76	2 76	13 80	94 19
11	Ellsworth	St. Paul's	28	42	2 80	5 60	5 60	5 60	1 96	8 40	1 12	1 12	5 60	38 22
12	Ellsworth	Trinity	8	12	80	1 60	1 60	1 60	56	2 40	32	32	1 60	10 92
13	Ellsworth	Excelsior	42	63	4 20	8 40	8 40	8 40	2 94	12 60	1 68	1 68	8 40	57 33
14	Emporia	St. Mark's	80	1 20	8 00	16 00	16 00	16 00	5 60	24 00	3 20	3 20	16 00	109 20
15	Eureka	Christ's	60	90	6 00	12 00	12 00	12 00	4 20	18 00	2 40	2 40	12 00	81 90
16	Hardy, Neb.	Union	67	1 00	6 70	13 40	13 40	13 40	4 69	20 10	2 68	2 68	13 40	91 45
17	Hardy, Neb.	Bethel	20	30	2 00	4 00	4 00	4 00	1 40	6 00	80	80	4 00	27 30
18	Hayes City	Trinity	50	75	5 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	3 50	15 00	2 00	2 00	10 00	68 25
19	Hutchinson	Zion's	39	59	3 90	7 80	7 80	7 80	2 73	11 70	1 56	1 56	7 80	53 24
20	Kansas City, Mo.	First Lutheran	233	3 50	23 30	46 60	46 60	46 60	16 31	69 90	9 32	9 32	46 60	318 05
21	Kansas City, Mo.	Children's Memorial.	113	1 70	11 30	22 60	22 60	22 60	7 91	33 90	4 52	4 52	22 60	154 25

22	Lawrence . . .	English Lutheran .	115	1	73	11	50	23	00	23	00	23	00	8	05	34	50	4	60	4	60	23	00	156	98
23	Leavenworth .	First English . . .	26		49	2	60	5	20	5	20	5	20	1	82	7	80	1	04	1	04	5	20	35	59
24	Long Island. .	St. Paul's	24		36	2	40	4	80	4	80	4	80	1	68	7	20		96		96	4	80	32	76
25	Minneapolis .	St. Paul's	32		48	3	20	6	40	6	40	6	40	2	24	9	60	1	28	1	28	6	40	43	68
26	Minneapolis .	St. John's	31		46	3	10	6	20	6	20	6	20	2	17	9	30	1	24	1	24	6	20	42	31
27	Manchester .	St. Paul's	34		51	3	40	6	80	6	80	6	80	2	38	10	20	1	36	1	36	6	80	46	41
28	Manchester .	Zion's	21		32	2	10	4	20	4	20	4	20	1	47	6	36		84		84	4	20	28	67
29	New Cambria	New Cambria . . .	43		65	4	30	8	60	8	60	8	60	3	01	12	90	1	72	1	72	8	60	58	70
30	New Cambria	St. Paul's (Saline Co.)	58		87	5	80	11	60	11	60	11	60	4	06	17	40	2	32	2	32	11	60	79	17
31	Norcatur . .	Norcatur	36		54	3	60	7	20	7	20	7	20	2	52	10	80	1	44	1	44	7	20	49	14
32	Norcatur . .	Trinity (Oberlin) .	5		8		50	1	00	1	00	1	00		35	1	50		20		20	1	00	6	83
33	Ottawa . . .	St. Paul's	25		38	2	50	5	00	5	00	5	00	1	75	7	50	1	00	1	00	5	00	34	13
34	Ottawa . . .	. . . (Garnett) . .	17		25	1	70	3	40	3	40	3	40	1	19	5	10		68		68	3	40	23	20
35	Peabody . . .	St. Paul's	99	1	49	9	90	19	80	19	80	19	80	6	93	29	70	3	96	3	96	19	80	135	14
36	Perth. . . .	St. James	31		46	3	10	6	20	6	20	6	20	2	17	9	30	1	24	1	24	6	20	42	31
37	Perth. . . .	Trinity (Portland) .	30		45	3	00	6	00	6	00	6	00	2	10	9	00	1	20	1	20	6	00	40	95
38	Salina	St. John's	220	3	30	22	00	44	00	44	00	44	00	15	40	66	00	8	80	8	80	44	00	300	30
39	Topeka	First English . . .	203	3	05	20	30	40	60	40	60	40	60	14	21	60	90	8	12	8	12	40	60	277	10
40	Valley Falls .	St. Paul's	28		42	2	80	5	60	5	60	5	60	1	96	8	40	1	12	1	12	5	60	38	22
41	Valley Falls .	. . . (Effingham).	56		84	5	60	11	20	11	20	11	20	3	92	16	80	2	24	2	24	11	20	76	44
42	Vinland. . . .	Vinland Lutheran .	27		41	2	70	5	40	5	40	5	40	1	89	8	10	1	08	1	08	5	40	36	86
43	Washington .	St. Paul's	22		33	2	20	4	40	4	40	4	40	1	54	6	60		88		88	4	40	30	03
44	Washington .	Trinity (Greenleaf).	10		15	1	00	2	00	2	00	2	00		70	3	00		40		40	2	00	13	65
45	Waterville. .	Waterville	58		87	5	80	11	60	11	60	11	60	4	06	17	40	2	32	2	32	11	60	79	17
46	Waterville. .	Hebron.	29		44	2	90	5	80	5	80	5	80	2	03	8	70	1	16	1	16	5	80	39	59
47	Waterville. .	Messiah (Barnes). .	29		44	2	90	5	80	5	80	5	80	2	03	8	70	1	16	1	16	5	80	39	59
48	Wellington . .	St. John's	45		68	4	50	9	00	9	00	9	00	3	15	13	50	1	80	1	80	9	00	61	43
49	White Water. .	Zion's	40		60	4	00	8	00	8	00	8	00	2	80	12	00	1	60	1	60	8	00	54	60
50	Wichita. . . .	First English . . .	63		95	6	30	12	60	12	60	12	60	4	41	18	90	2	52	2	52	12	60	86	00
	Totals . . .	. . . . .	3039	45	75	303	90	607	80	607	80	607	80	212	73	911	70	121	56	121	56	607	80	4148	40

A. L. SELIG, JOHN HOFFER, *Committee.*

Statistics of the Sunday-schools of

Name of Pastorate.	Name of Superintendent.	Membership.											
		Lutheran.	Union.	Officers and Teachers.	Male Pupils.	Female Pupils.	Total Enrollment.	Average Attendance.	Months Open During Year.	Hour of Opening.	No. added to Church from the S. S.	Meetings Held for Business Only.	
Abilene	J. E. Brewer	1	.	34	125	159	283	254	12	9:30	11	No.	
Abilene (St. James)	S. Palmer	1	.	15	47	58	105	80	12	3:00	. .	No.	
Atchison	A. B. Zimmerman	1	.	24	84	85	169	129	12	9:45	14	Yes.	
Barnes	John Imhoff	1	.	13	30	36	84	69	12	10:00	. .	No.	
Bunker Hill	J. B. Corbet	1	.	11	28	32	66	35	12	9:45	2	Yes.	
Chapman { Chapman	Geo. E. Scherer	1	.	12	39	37	88	46	12	9:45	6	Yes.	
Chapman { Ebenezer	E. G. Betz	1	.	12	39	36	87	54	12	10:00	1	No.	
Denver, Col	Amos W. Fritz	1	.	16	60	96	172	85	12	9:45	12	Yes.	
East Norway	Abram Bennet	1	.	9	23	30	64	45	8	10:00	1	No.	
Ellsworth { Ellsworth	H. H. Tomlinson	1	.	9	23	40	74	45	12	9:45	. .	Yes.	
Ellsworth { Excelsior	Frank S. Flalman	1	.	10	30	35	75	50	12	10:00	. .	No.	
Elmo	C. C. Seidel	1	.	10	24	29	63	42	12	10:00	. .	No.	
Emporia	S. G. Dornblaser	1	.	17	48	42	90	63	12	9:30	4	Yes.	
Eureka	W. M. Sparr	1	.	14	41	57	98	74	12	12:00	2	Yes.	
Greenleaf	J. H. Shoup	1	.	8	15	20	43	43	12	2:00	2	No.	
Hardy { Hardy, Neb	W. J. Brooks	1	.	9	30	35	74	52	12	10:00	12	No.	
Hardy { Bethel, Neb	P. A. Weisner	.	1	6	20	23	49	30	12	1:30	. .	No.	
Hays City	Prof. L. H. Gehman	1	.	10	24	26	60	45	12	12:00	. .	No.	
Hutchinson	M. A. Wagener	1	.	7	35	35	77	40	12	10:00	2	Yes.	
First church, Kansas City, Mo	A. E. Wagner	1	.	24	85	115	224	140	12	9:45	12	No.	
Children's Memorial, Kansas City, Mo	F. D. Altman	1	.	16	57	93	166	100	12	9:45	11	Yes.	
Lawrence	H. L. Yarger	1	.	21	80	93	194	134	12	9:30	14	Yes.	
Leavenworth	Geo. W. Bell	1	.	9	26	40	75	42	12	9:30	3	Yes.	
Long Island		1	.	5	20	20	40						
Manchester { St. Paul's	Samuel Coulter	1	.	10	25	27	62	45	9	10:00	. .	No.	
Manchester { Zion's													
Minneapolis { St. Paul's	C. A. Harbaugh	1	.	10	30	44	84	45	12	10:00	. .	No.	
Minneapolis { St. John's	Wm. Warsop	.	1	9	28	20	57	35	12	10:00	. .	No.	
New Cambria	J. M. Brubaker	1	.	9	23	16	50	36	12	10:00	7	No.	
Norcatur	C. A. Jorn	1	.	5	20	20	45	30	12	10:00	5	No.	
Peabody	H. L. Lark	1	.	22	69	66	157	97	12	9:30	4	No.	
Perth		1	.	14	30	31	61						
Portland		.	2	18	15	15	30						
Salina													
Salina (St. Paul's, Country)	Frank Gaumer	1	.	10	22	20	52	35	12	10:00	3	No.	
Topeka	Wm. Bilger	1	.	18	72	90	180	115	12	9:30	. .	No.	
Valley Falls	A. M. Geiger	1	.	8	20	39	52	40	12	10:00	4	No.	
Vinland	Wm. H. Eberhart	1	.	8	25	25	58	25	12	10:00	3	No.	
Waterville { Waterville	J. F. Sponseller	1	.	9	32	33	74	42	12	2:00	. .	No.	
Waterville { Hebron	J. F. Sponseller	1	.	10	54	54	118	50	12	10:00	. .	No.	
Wellington	J. G. M. Hursh	1	.	8	35	47	90	60	12	9:45	1	Yes.	
White Water													
Wichita	W. L. Seabrook	1	.	9	30	29	58	40	12	9:45	. .	No.	
Washington	G. N. Goldman	1	.	10	30	35	75	35	12	. . . .	. .	No.	
		38	4	508	1699	1873	3823	2427	. .	. . . .	146	. . .	

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PAROCHIAL REPORT OF THE KANSAS SYNOD.

Pastor's Name and Address.	Congregations, Names of,	PAROCHIAL.																		Index No. See line with corresponding No. on page below.
							Losses.			Accessions.						Finances.				
		Churches.	Stations.	Prayer Meetings.	Students for Ministry.	Catechumens.	Death.	Certificate.	Excommunications and other losses.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmations.	Certificate.	Restoration.	Communicant Membership.	Estimated Value of Church Property.	Indebtedness.	Local Expenses for All Objects.		
Abilene (Vacant)	Trinity	1	..	1	2	....	....	15	....	3	7	17	7	....	296	$9000 00	.....	$1600 00		1
R. B. Whitehill, Abilene	New Cambria	1	..	..	..	....	....	1	....	3	3	10	....	....	43	5000 00	$1000 00	379	00	2
	St. James	1	..	1	..	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	1	....	43	2200 00	.....	344	11	3
W. F. Rentz, Atchison	St. Mark's	1	..	2	2	40	3	5	12	6	13	5	23	19	160	10000 00	4500 00	1200	00	4
Barnes (Vacant)	Trinity (Greenleaf)	1	..	..	..	....	....	....	2	....	....	2	....	....	10	1500 00	350 00	58	00	5
	Messiah	1	..	..	..	....	....	1	25	1	....	....	5	....	29	900 00	200 00	143	64	6
H. A. Koogle, Bunker Hill	Mt. Zion	1	..	1	..	5	1	1	....	1	....	2	1	....	52	2500 00	400 00	424	74	7
J. F. Scherer, Chapman	Ebenezer	1	..	1	..	6	....	4	3	....	1	....	2	....	54	2500 00	.....	353	90	8
	Jacob Scherer Mem'l.	1	..	1	1	14	1	2	2	9	9	2	6	....	30	2500 00	450 00	1196	90	9
C. J. Kiefer, Denver, Col.	Woman's Memorial	1	..	2	..	....	1	2	....	11	2	8	32	....	99	30000 00	6000 00	1253	63	10
Effingham (Prof. J. H. Stough, Supply)	First Lutheran	1	..	1	..	....	1	....	2	....	6	7	17	....	56	1700 00	.....	1690	00	11
E. S. Rees, Ellsworth	St. Paul's	1	1	1	..	....	....	....	....	5	1	2	6	....	28	3500 00	700 00	178	00	12
	Trinity	1	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	2	....	....	....	....	8	1500 00	60 00	16	50	13
	Excelsior	1	..	..	..	....	....	5	7	3	....	....	....	....	42	.....	.....	146	50	14
B. F. Hills, Elmo	Mt. Zion	1	..	..	..	....	....	2	....	1	....	....	....	....	28	100 00	.....	157	81	15
	St. Paul's	1	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	2	....	11	.....	.....	50	00	16
S. G. Dornblaser, Emporia	St. Mark's	1	..	2	..	....	....	8	1	3	2	3	4	2	80	13000 00	3300 00	2023	62	17
W. M. Sparr, Eureka	Christ's	1	2	1	..	....	1	6	3	2	1	6	1	....	60	5500 00	.....	854	00	18
J. E. Maurer, Hardy, Neb.	Union	1	1	1	..	....	....	1	....	6	7	6	2	1	67	3000 00	.....	594	00	19
	Bethel	1	..	..	..	....	....	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	20	75 00	.....	96	50	20
E. B. Killinger, Hays City	Trinity	1	..	2	..	6	1	6	39	10	1	....	3	....	50	5000 00	1500 00	1213	31	21
J. A. Lowe, Hutchinson	Zion's	1	..	1	..	3	....	4	....	9	1	7	6	....	39	3500 00	1000 00	3230	05	22
J. M. Cromer, Kansas City, Mo.	First English	1	..	1	..	30	....	6	....	15	1	21	10	....	233	40000 00	4000 00	3304	28	23
F. D. Altman, Kansas City, Mo.	Children's Memorial	1	..	2	2	7	....	3	30	8	7	3	20	7	113	12000 00	.....	2126	29	24
J. Freet, Manchester	St. Paul's	1	..	1	..	....	1	....	....	10	....	....	....	....	34	2500 00	800 00	483	45	25
	Zion's	1	..	1	..	11	....	2	1	1	2	2	....	....	21	.....	.....	91	50	26
H. L. Yarger, Lawrence	First English	1	..	2	..	15	....	7	3	6	8	20	8	....	115	4000 00	1500 00	1188	00	27
C. A. Eyler, Leavenworth	First English	1	..	2	..	16	....	....	4	3	1	1	3	1	26	.....	45 00	695	19	28

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Index Number.	Lutheran.	Union.	SUNDAY-SCHOOL. Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Members of Children's Missionary Society.	CONTRIBUTIONS For Support of School and Local Objects.	CONTRIBUTIONS For Benevolence.	BENEVOLENCE. General Synod.	Synodical Treasury.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Church Extension.	Board of Education.	Beneficiary Education.	Woman's Missionary Society.	Pastors' Fund.	Orphans' Home.	External Objects.	Total Benevolence.	Grand Total.
1	1	..	34	249	....	$393 96	$6 00	$5 02	$28 10	$41 13	$59 01	$41 15	$55 43	$70 25	$89 23	$14 65	$14 65	.....	$418 04	$2018 04
2	1	..	9	50	7	31 00	3 29	.....	50	1 00	1 00	.....	.....	1 87	.....	.....	.....	$3 50	7 87	287 47
3	1	..	15	105	8	15 43	3 20	1 00	2 25	8 25	6 55	4 20	.....	6 10	1 00	1 00	.....	1 78	32 13	376 24
4	1	..	24	169	34	100 00	42 02	2 62	13 10	27 51	67 85	27 51	18 51	32 75	30 50	6 55	6 55	28 00	242 45	1442 45
5	1	..	8	35	....	12 23	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	67 23
6	1	..	15	57	....	23 60	5 63	.....	.....	5 57	.....	.....	.....	5 60	6 25	.....	.....	.....	16 82	160 46
7	1	..	11	60	20	18 00	11 86	92	4 60	9 71	9 66	9 72	4 26	11 50	2 00	2 30	2 30	7 00	63 97	488 71
8	1	..	12	75	....	19 00	20 90	1 18	5 90	12 39	5 89	12 39	4 12	14 74	.....	2 95	2 95	50 00	112 01	465 91
9	1	..	12	80	....	24 53	12 44	36	1 80	3 78	3 78	3 78	1 60	4 50	16 26	90	90	.....	37 60	1234 56
10	1	..	16	156	20	112 75	83 18	1 10	5 50	15 45	15 40	13 95	3 75	13 25	25 00	2 65	2 65	.....	98 50	1352 13
11	..	..	..	..	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 60	.....	5 13	.....	5 60	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 73	1705 73
12	1	..	9	65	....	24 44	6 45	48	2 40	6 29	2 74	5 04	5 46	6 00	6 50	1 20	3 90	.....	40 01	218 01
13	..	..	..	..	....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	1 00	.....	1 50	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 50	21 00
14	1	..	10	65	....	14 00	13 41	.....	2 85	2 60	.....	3 20	.....	4 20	.....	.....	.....	.....	12 85	150 35
15	1	..	10	63	....	30 99	13 31	60	3 00	9 91	4 30	6 50	7 15	7 85	.....	2 00	1 50	25 00	69 81	227 42
16	..	..	..	..	....	.....	.....	18	90	1 80	1 80	1 80	63	2 25	.....	45	45	.....	10 53	60 53
17	1	..	17	90	....	36 15	171 15	1 60	8 00	16 80	31 00	16 80	10 90	70 00	27 25	4 00	5 20	1 00	191 55	2215 17
18	1	..	14	98	23	98 00	23 00	1 24	6 50	7 02	5 66	7 00	4 34	15 50	13 00	3 10	3 10	5 00	71 46	925 46
19	1	..	9	65	....	30 48	7 07	1 10	2 10	10 55	4 48	4 60	3 75	13 75	.....	.....	2 75	.....	42 98	630 98
20	..	1	7	35	....	5 50	1 00	.....	.....	1 91	1 00	2 33	1 33	5 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	12 32	108 82
21	1	..	10	60	....	93 60	20 00	.....	.....	10 00	15 00	5 00	.....	5 00	24 50	.....	.....	.....	59 50	1272 81
22	1	..	8	75	....	40 00	4 00	58	4 23	6 09	6 09	6 09	2 03	7 25	11 20	1 55	1 47	12 50	59 08	3280 13
23	1	..	24	200	15	155 28	54 72	4 15	20 75	44 00	45 00	43 47	14 49	64 20	34 00	10 35	10 35	.....	290 76	3555 04
24	1	..	16	150	....	233 49	60 11	2 10	10 30	21 64	90 00	21 81	29 79	25 79	27 60	5 15	6 60	11 13	250 71	2377 60
25	1	..	10	52	....	14 00	2 00	70	3 50	7 35	7 35	7 35	2 45	8 75	.....	1 75	1 75	20 00	60 95	544 40
26	1	..	10	40	....	10 00	.....	40	2 00	4 20	4 20	4 20	1 40	5 00	.....	1 00	1 00	5 00	28 40	119 90
27	1	..	21	173	16	109 10	40 78	1 65	8 30	18 55	23 95	20 02	10 00	32 11	33 93	4 15	4 15	36 04	193 52	1381 52
28	1	..	9	66	9	65 11	17 02	48	2 40	5 07	5 04	8 84	2 80	6 60	7 75	1 20	1 20	5 00	45 78	730 97

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Pastor's Name and Address.	Congregations, Names of.	PAROCHIAL.																			Index No. See line with corresponding No. on page below.
							Losses.			Accessions.						Finances.					
		Churches.	Stations	Prayer Meetings.	Students for Ministry.	Catechumens.	Death.	Certificate.	Excommunications and other losses.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmations.	Certificate.	Restoration	Communicant Membership.	Estimated Value of Church Property.	Indebtedness.	Local Expenses for All Objects.			
Long Island (Vacant)	St. Paul's	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	24	$2200 00	..	..			29
M. F. Rinker, Minneapolis	St. Paul's	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	2	7	2	1	..	2	2	32	3050 00	$300 00	$580 00			30
	St. John's	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	31	..	..	150 00			31
J. B. Umberger, Norcatur	St. Mark's (Norcatur)	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	9	4	12	..	..	36	1800 00	700 00	305 82			32
	Trinity (Oberlin)	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	2200 00	700 00	..			33
Ottawa (Vacant)	St. Paul's	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	25	1800 00	800 00	..			34
Dr. G. A. Bowers, Peabody	St. Paul's	1	..	1	..	27	..	..	4	5	3	5	5	..	..	99	6000 00	..	1653 53			35
Perth (Vacant)	St. James (Perth)	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	..	5	1	..	31	1800 00	300 00	297 00			36
	Trinity (Portland)	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	30	..	..	..			37
C. W. Maggart, Salina	St. John's	1	..	2	2	24	2	5	25	13	8	24	5	..	220	20000 00	1500 00	1900 00			38
A. B. Kirtland, Salina	St. Paul's (Country)	1	1	1	..	10	2	8	16	3	3	2	3	..	58	2300 00	100 00	290 00			39
C. Martin, M. D., St. Joseph, Mo.	Ev. Lu. (East Norway)	1	..	1	..	12	1	..	3	4	..	2	..	..	69	3000 00	..	388 00			40
F. M. Porch, Topeka	First English	1	..	2	..	..	2	8	..	9	2	16	4	..	203	13000 00	5000 00	1561 31			41
J. W. Thomas, Valley Falls	St. Paul's	1	..	..	..	10	..	..	29	..	3	4	..	..	28	3000 00	3100 00	400 00			44
Vinland (D. Scholl, Supply)	St. John's	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	27	1500 00	220 00	198 50			43
Washington (Vacant)	St. Paul's	1	..	1	..	15	..	1	20	6	2	..	..	1	22	925 00	..	245 00			44
J. F. Sponseller, Waterville	Waterville	1	..	1	..	..	..	1	19	1	..	..	..	..	58	2500 00	180 00	412 00			45
	Hebron	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	2	5	..	..	..	..	29	..	..	224 01			46
J. G. M. Hursh, Wellington	St. John's	1	2	1	1	5	..	1	10	7	3	..	2	3	45	4000 00	1200 00	928 08			47
H. Acker, White Water	Zion's	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	6	1	..	..	40	1500 00	..	225 00			48
W. L. Seabrook, Wichita	First English	1	..	1	..	..	..	2	19	10	..	..	..	84	63	..	..	1423 50			49
Totals, Oct. 7th, 1890		49	11	41	14	256	17	117	317	190	110	205	182	120	3022	$234050 00	$39005 66	$39000 27			50
Totals, Sept. 17th, 1889		48	10	36	8	310	19	150	192	218	122	200	225	66	2856	230025 00	35570 21	42127 01			51
The year's gain		1	1	5	6	..	..	..	125	..	..	5	..	54	166	..	$4335 45	..			52
The year's loss		..	..	..	..	54	2	33	..	28	12	..	43	..	..	$5975 00	..	$3127 74			53

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Index Number.	SUNDAY-SCHOOL. Lutheran.	Union.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Members of Children's Missionary Society	Contributions: For Support of School and Local Objects.	Contributions: For Benevolence.	BENEVOLENCE. General Synod.	Synodical Treasury.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Church Extension.	Board of Education.	Beneficiary Education.	Woman's Miss. Soc.	Pastors' Fund.	Orphans' Home.	External Objects.	Total Benevolence.	Grand Total.
29	1	..	5	40	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
30	1	..	10	74	21	$26 65	$4 23	$0 80	$4 00	$8 40	$8 40	$8 40	$2 80	$10 00	$6 50	$2 00	$5 50	$15 50	$72 30	$652 30
31	..	1	9	48	....	16 50	1 15	.....	94	9 61	7 56	7 56	2 52	2 10	.....	.....	1 15	.....	31 54	181 54
32	1	..	5	40	....	12 82	4 29	.....	.....	3 00	.....	1 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 29	.....	8 79	374 62
33	..	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
34	..	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
35	1	..	22	157	30	75 00	49 52	1 96	9 80	32 94	140 08	20 59	11 86	29 57	215 71	5 00	35 51	191 00	694 02	2347 55
36	1	..	8	40	....	15 00	7 49	.....	.....	7 14	5 00	7 64	.....	8 50	14 50	.....	1 00	2 50	46 28	253 28
37	..	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18 30	.....	.....	.....	18 30	18 30
38	1	..	28	300	23	92 84	36 82	2 50	10 00	31 95	46 50	39 38	21 47	50 00	92 50	.....	3 72	32 50	333 52	2233 52
39	1	..	10	42	....	19 57	2 00	1 20	4 00	5 00	4 00	4 00	2 00	4 00	6 48	1 60	2 00	10 00	43 68	243 68
40	1	..	9	50	....	18 46	11 75	1 50	7 50	48 75	95 00	28 00	4 00	17 50	12 50	4 00	3 50	6 00	229 15	617 15
41	1	..	18	102	....	76 64	23 06	3 80	12 75	54 40	26 85	40 03	25 30	47 50	30 00	6 45	6 80	52 12	306 00	1807 31
42	1	..	8	52	....	14 10	2 60	.....	6 64	8 62	8 00	10 50	3 50	12 47	.....	2 50	2 50	.....	54 29	454 29
43	1	..	8	50	....	8 50	61	46	2 30	1 33	2 00	1 30	1 61	5 00	.....	.....	.....	8 60	22 00	130 50
44	1	..	10	65	....	7 52	1 95	.....	.....	1 95	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 60	5 55	250 55
45	1	..	10	108	....	35 00	1 00	76	4 00	13 09	13 15	13 26	2 00	14 31	20 25	1 60	1 00	26 00	108 82	520 82
46	1	..	9	65	....	11 35	.....	62	3 10	6 51	6 51	6 55	2 17	8 15	20 70	1 55	1 55	16 00	73 41	297 42
47	1	..	8	82	....	21 90	10 00	.....	.....	2 50	.....	.....	3 50	.....	3 10	.....	2 50	9 00	20 60	948 68
48	..	1	13	80	....	30 00	.....	66	3 30	7 66	7 66	5 74	2 31	8 32	23 80	1 65	1 65	34 57	97 42	322 42
49	1	..	9	49	....	9 13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 60	2 60	1426 10
50	40	3	539	3847	226	$2307 30	$779 47	$41 37	$208 11	$543 49	$792 54	$479 32	$273 74	$993 38	$819 73	$91 45	144 89	$620 03	$4996 48	$40675 75
51	37	9	522	3660	231	1973 60	612 07	33 60	195 26	511 21	552 36	326 05	535 39	415 94	905 09	78 00	93 07	3274 18	7032 15	51132 76
52	3	..	17	187	....	$333 60	$107 40	$7 77	$12 85	$32 28	$240 18	$153 27	.....	$247 44	.....	$13 45	$31 82	.....	.....	.....
53	..	6	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$261 65	.....	$85 36	.....	.....	$2654 15	$2365 67	$10457 01

Certificate of Dismissal.*

This is to Certify, *That M*_____ *is a member in good and regular standing in the* _____ *Evangelical Lutheran Church of* _____ *and is hereby honorably dismissed at h*_____*own request in order to unite with the* _____ *Church in* _____ *to whose care and fellowship* _____ *is cordially commended. When thus received h*_____*connections with this church will cease.*

By order of the Church Council.

_____ *Pastor,*

_____ *Church,*

Town, _____

County of _____

State of _____

Date, _____ *18*

This Certifies, *That* _____ *recommended to us by the* _____ *Church of* _____ *was, on the* _____ *day of* _____, *18*_____, *received as a member of the* _____ *Church, of* _____ *18*_____

_____ *Pastor.*

Please fill blanks on this certificate, detach and return it.

* See page 62, Minutes of General Synod for 1889.

PASTOR'S CALL.*

To Rev......

Grace, Mercy and Peace from God our Father and Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Evangelical Lutheran pastorate of ..... *being destitute of a pastor, and the stated means of Grace which God has appointed for the salvation of souls, and being satisfied of your piety, literary attainments and ministerial qualifications, the undersigned are authorized by and on behalf of the same to inform you that the said pastorate has according to the Formula of Government of the EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH of the General Synod (Chap. 6, Sec. 5), elected you and doth through* ..... *solemnly and in the fear of God call you to become its pastor and spiritual teacher, to teach the Word of God, administer the Sacraments, attend to the catechisation of the young, maintain Christian discipline, and perform all the other duties of the gospel ministry according to the Word of God and the rules and usages of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, your services to commence on or about*.....18

(1)

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To encourage you in the performance of the duties of the pastoral office ..... *authorized to promise you on behalf of the said pastorate proper attention, obedience and love in the Lord; and to free you from worldly care while you are laboring for our spiritual good, as well as to make you a suitable compensation for your ministerial services, further have authority to state that your salary shall be at the rate of* .....*dollars annually in* ..... *instalments, so long as you continue its pastor, together with the free use of the parsonage.* (2)

May the Lord incline you to come and labor among us in the fullness of the blessings of the gospel of peace.

Given under hand this .....*day of*.....18

(3)

(Signed).....

Presiding Officer of the Congregational meeting of Evangelical Lutheran pastorate of.....

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.....
} *Signatures of other officers.* (4)

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING BLANKS:

(1)—The blank space may be filled up with any details, concerning the charge, that may be deemed necessary for the further information of the pastor elect.

(2)—If there should be no parsonage, the clause regarding it should be stricken out.

(3)—This call is to be signed by the Presiding officer of the Congregational Meeting at which the pastor has been elected.

(4)—If the Charter of the Church should require any other officer or officers to sign the pastoral call, such officers ought also to sign the call in addition to the President of the Congregational Meeting.

*See page 60, Minutes of General Synod for 1889.

Comparison of Parochial Reports.

Pastors, Churches, etc.	1885.	1886.	1887.	1888.	1889.	1890.
Ministers on the Synodical Roll. . .	44	43	50	51	52	49
Pastors in the Synod	23	27	27	26	31	31
Churches	32	34	38	42	48	48
Stations	11	15	13	19	10	11
Infant Baptisms	118	158	226	208	218	190
ADDITIONS TO MEMBERSHIP.						
By Adult Baptism	14	48	53	93	122	130
By Confirmation	50	130	149	240	290	265
By Certificate	100	190	204	243	223	182
By Restoration.	1	90	34	93	66	100
By Renewal of Profession.	154					
Total Additions	319	458	440	669	703	617
DECREASE IN MEMBERSHIP.						
By Death	10	27	19	24	19	17
By Removal or Letter	79	61	89	144	150	117
By Excommunication and other losses.	4	54	83	168	192	317
Total Decrease.	93	142	191	336	361	451
Communicant Membership	1327	1738	2177	2467	2856	3092
SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.						
Lutheran	20	24	31	33	36	40
Union	7	14	8	9	9	3
Teachers	204	400	439	459	522	539
Scholars	2060	3159	3313	3345	3660	3847
Contributions	$1185 83	$1456 70	$2082 53	$2097 88	$2585 67	$2986 67
BENEVOLENCE.						
Synodical Treasury	$75 76	$114 02	$146 95	$163 41	$195 26	$208 11
General Synod.	20 43	29 99	62 18	32 57	33 60	41 37
Home Missions	252 59	751 73	380 88	623 45	511 21	543 49
Foreign Missions.	283 39	479 99	505 36	622 09	552 36	792 54
Church Extension	273 29	390 62	588 67	751 28	326 05	479 72
Beneficiary Education	204 08	260 81	277 18	309 18	413 94	663 38
Board of Education				662 88	535 39	273 74
Orphans' Home	12 90	37 12	75 95	107 22	93 07	144 89
Pastors' Fund	4 39	16 70	62 25	70 44	78 00	91 45
Local Expenses	$1522 97	$2120 32	$1057 56	$3076 40	$2127 01	$6000 27
W. H. & F. M. Society { Members.	309	312	506	492	653	648
W. H. & F. M. Society { Contrib's.	$308 24	$374 05	$606 15	$783 32	$807 34	$835 57

STATISTICS OF THE LUTHERAN CHURCH.

Lutherans in all Lands.

EUROPE.	Ministers	Churches	Members Baptized.
Germany	15,550	20,450	28,369,000
Denmark	1,700	1,900	1,587,200
Sweden	2,413	2,408	4,580,000
Norway	869	960	1,910,000
Iceland	180	300	70,000
Faroe Islands	22	22	9,992
Finland, Russia	800	1,002	2,028,000
Poland, Russia	72	104	300,000
Remaining Russia	520	1,132	2,289,500
Austria	183	209	292,866
Hungary	425	950	1,123,508
France	134	90	80,000
Holland	67	58	63,070
Great Britain	24	27	24,000
Italy	11	11	3,089
Roumania, Servia	12	12	7,576
Switzerland	8	9	11,095
Total in Europe	22,980	29,644	43,133,696
ASIA.			
Palestine	15	9	700
Hindostan	134	86	67,926
China	24	17	4,679
Asiatic Russia	18	18	12,000
On Black Sea	5	5	3,716
Orient	7	7	1,948
Total in Asia	203	142	90,969
AFRICA.			
North Africa, Egypt	2	2	870
West Africa	40	20	8,612
South Africa	209	158	51,433
South Africa (Colonists)	19	26	22,170
East Africa	8	4	76
Madagascar	36	27	20,660
Total in Africa	314	237	103,821
OCEANICA.			
Australia colonists	76	252	100,000
Australian heathen missions	9	6	281
New Zealand	14	14	10,643
Hawaiian Islands	1	4	1,000
Borneo	9	6	1,063
Sumatra	17	15	12,350
New Guinea	5	2	130
Feejee Islands	1	1	100
Samoa Islands	.....	.....	127
Total in Oceanica	132	310	125,794
NORTH AMERICA.			
United States and Canada	4,692	7,948	6,500,000
Greenland	15	12	10,000
West Indies	3	4	1,500
Total in N. America	4,710	7,964	6,511,500
SOUTH AMERICA.			
Argentine, Uruguay	4	4	6,500
Brazil	40	54	85,000
Chili	3	3	4,000
Total in S. America	47	61	95,500
SUMMARY.			
Europe	22,980	29,644	43,133,696
Asia	203	142	90,969
Africa	314	237	103,821
Oceanica	132	310	125,794
North America	4,710	7,964	6,511,500
South America	47	61	95,500
Jewish Missions	20	23	.....
Total in the world	28,406	38,381	50,061,280

Lutherans in All Languages.

The Lutheran is a church of many languages. The latest statistics show that of her baptized membership throughout the world 32,000,000 speak German, 5,300,000 Swedish, 2,500,000 Norwegian, 2,300,000 Danish, 2,048,000 Finnish, 1,250,000 English, 1,113,000 Hungarian, 624,000 Livonian, 480,000 Courlandish, 272,000 Esthonian, 80,000 French, 70,000 Icelandic, 48,000 Bohemian, and that in every other civilized tongue she is well represented. The Lutheran Church, though taking its origin in Germany, knows no fatherland or mother tongue. She is at home everywhere.

Lutherans in the United States.

In the United States, though among the last to come to general public recognition, the Lutheran Church is doing Christian work in twelve different languages, and has 4,692 ministers, 7,948 churches, and 1,100,000 communicant members, twenty-four theological seminaries, twenty-five colleges, forty-eight seminaries and academies, fifty-seven orphan homes and hospitals, and 140 church papers, of which forty-eight are English, fifty-one German, sixteen Swedish, fifteen Norwegian, four Danish, three Finnish, two Icelandic, and two French.

26 Lutheran Foreign Missionary Societies.

Stations, 357; foreign workers, 468 ordained, 260 lay; native workers, 144 ordained, 3,246 lay: female workers, 173; baptized members, 188,020; schools, 1,437; scholars, 66,742; native contributions, $25,253.08; income, $881,839.39; fields of work—Africa, India, Sandwich Islands, China, Abyssinia, Polynesia, Greenland, South America.

Growth of English Lutherans.

The General Synod, the pioneer and strength of English Lutheranism, in 1867, numbered 579 ministers, 944 churches, and 86,933 communicants. At present, 979 ministers, 1,437 congregations, and 151,404 communicants.

J. N. LENKER.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

TENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

OF THE

Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society

OF THE

KANSAS SYNOD,

HELD IN

SALINA, KANSAS, OCTOBER 24th–25th, 1890.

THURSDAY MORNING.

The first session of the Tenth Annual Convention of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Kansas Synod met in the chapel of St. John's Lutheran Church of Salina, Kans., Thursday morning, October 24th, 1890.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. Acker, of Whitewater, Kans.

The Convention was formally opened by a hymn, prayer by the President, and reading of a Psalm by Mrs. M. F. Stewart.

A Committee, consisting of Mrs. Searles, Mrs. Porch and Mrs. Acker was then appointed, to take up credentials and Synodical dues.

Miss Mae Scherer was appointed to assist the Secretary, by taking the names of all visitors.

Credentials were reported upon by Committee, and on motion, the delegates were received.

Roll of Delegates and Visitors.

Delegates.	Residence.	Visitors.
Miss A. Baird	Salina, St. John's.	Mrs. B. Gebhart.
Mrs. Ida V. Dewees	Salina, St. John's.	
Miss A. Manderbach	Salina, (Y. L. M. B.) St John's.	
Mrs. A. B. Kirtland.	Salina, St. Paul's.	
Mrs. Josie Shirar.	Salina, St. Paul's.	
Mrs. R. B. Jacobs	Abilene.	Mrs. C. Johntz.
Miss Mae Scherer	Abilene, (Y. L. M. B.)	Mrs. Whitehill.
	Abilene.	Miss Sadie Schaffer.
Mrs. Ella Beegle.	Atchison.	
Mrs. Ella Hults	Atchison.	
Mrs. M. V. Cagney.	Emporia	Mrs. C. J. Henning.
Miss Nettie Lepper	Emporia.	
Mrs. J. M. Cromer	Kansas City, 1st Church.	
Mrs. R. B. Farley	Kansas City, Chil. Mem.	
Mrs. J. M. Searles	Kansas City, Chil. Mem.	
Mrs. Kellar	Topeka.	Mrs. J. B. McAfee.
Mrs. H. L. Yarger	Lawrence.	
Mrs. C. J. Ericksen.	Lawrence.	
Mrs. M. B. Eyler.	Leavenworth.	
Mrs. Samuel Schirk.	Waterville.	Miss Mattie Sproul.
	Waterville.	Miss Flora Reitzel.
Mrs. J. A. Lowe.	Hutchinson.	
Mrs. A. Lamoreaux	Hebron.	
Mrs. M. J. Bardonnar	Minneapolis	Miss Johnson.
Mrs. Susan Scheffer	Minneapolis	Mrs. Rinker.
	Minneapolis	Miss O. Murdick.
Mrs. C. J. Seybold	Peabody.	Mrs. H. L. Lark.
Mrs. Will Yarger	Ellsworth	Mrs. Geo. Seitz.
	Ellsworth	Mrs. E. T. Rees.
	Bunker Hill	Miss M. Koogle.
Mrs. L. L. Lake	Eureka.	
Mrs. M. R. Scherer	Chapman.	
Mrs. Ella L. Kiefer.	Denver, Col.	Miss K. Fredrickson.
Mrs. M. A. Acker	Whitewater, Neb.	Mrs. G. B. Hanstine.
	Hardy, Neb.	Mrs. A. H. Maurer.
		Mrs. H. Brooks.
	Manchester	Mrs. M. A. Freet.
	McPherson	Mrs. Ruth Hartsock.
	Gettysburg, Pa.	Mrs. F. J. Buehler.
	Wichita.	Mrs. M. S. Seabrook.

The President, Mrs. Bond, then read her address, for which a vote of thanks was tendered her by the Convention. It was as follows:

President's Address.

Dear Sisters: Another year has been numbered with the past. Its hours of sorrow or joy, labor or idleness, activity or quiet, hours well spent, hours mis-spent, all are gone. How have we used them? What have we accomplished? Is any one the better for our having lived, and are we fulfilling the purpose for which our lives have been preserved? These and many similar questions arise as we recall the past.

We rejoice that we have been spared to meet again in convention, and that so goodly a number has assembled here at this time and place. We recognize the guardian care of our Heavenly Father, and voice our thanks for the preservation of life and strength.

Ten years ago we met at Bunker Hill. Then we were seven, our total membership eighty-eight. Now we have thirty Auxiliaries and over four hundred members, and as you look over this assembly you will see at this tenth annual convention twenty-eight delegates and visitors.

There is great encouragement in this fact, not only for us assembled here, but for the future.

Of a certainty, the foundation laid was good, and the growth steady.

We most sincerely hope and pray that our coming together may be very profitable to us individually as well as collectively, and that we may separate with the feeling that we have been blessed spiritually and have been strengthened and prepared to press forward and upward.

Let us pray that our zeal and activity in mission work may be intensified, that our hearts' desire may be the salvation of souls.

Let us not permit anything of self to mar the harmony and Christian fellowship which should prevail. We are assembled to do our Heavenly Father's will, and it is necessary that we ignore self and entertain only such views and opinions as shall advance His work.

I should like to urge each one faithfully to attend the devotional meetings: they are as important as our business meetings. They assist to prepare us for faithful work. Whatever we do, let it be in the name and to the honor and glory of the Lord our God. As we take a retrospective view of our work, we observe progress.

Four new Societies have been organized, and all are in a flourishing condition.

The Society at Chapman deserves special commendation. It was well organized and has shown constant growth. The membership is small, but who can gauge its influence?

It is distinctively a missionary society and emphatically brave and earnest. It was especially gratifying to learn that that little band, which nine months ago believed itself unable to proceed, held a public meeting on Sunday, July 29th. The benefits of a public meeting are two-fold. Missionary intelligence is given and acquired. Those who assist in the exercises are especially benefited. It is not the congregation alone that is profited.

Seven of the Auxiliaries have reported public meetings during the year. Possibly we shall hear of others from delegates.

There are other places nearly ready for organization; we anticipate early action. Though the growth in number of Societies is not great, it is sufficient to show the diffusion of the missionary spirit.

The Denver Society has manifested great activity in acquiring new members. The Corresponding Secretary's report will probably indicate greater increase in membership in that Society than in any other.

I desire to commend the faithful little band at Ellsworth. They are doing nobly and will prosper. They have had difficulties and discouragements, but had the courage to surmount them.

The Society at Bunker Hill has lost so many of its members by removal, that it has ceased to hold meetings. This I sincerely regret. I know that it is extremely difficult to maintain a Society when a number of the active members move away. I would, however, suggest that where Societies have lost some of their members until there are but few remaining, they continue the monthly studies and keep abreast of the work in a knowledge of it, rather than disband because of the difficulty of bearing their share of the financial burdens. The General Society can afford to lose their dues, but not their sympathy and spiritual support. Let them pray for enlarged opportunities of work. A time of greater strength will surely come, the acquired knowledge will create activity and energy, and be an attractive force to win the indifferent. Knowledge is power!

There have been several necessary changes made during the year. Mrs. Cromer, who was appointed Chairman of the Literature Committee, felt herself too heavily burdened with home work to permit her to serve in tha capacity, and, therefore, resigned.

Mrs. Ella C. Beegle kindly accepted the position, though she too felt burdened with a weight of responsibility and cares.

You all know her work and how well it has been performed, and will hear more fully of it in the report, but you do not know how many times she has cheered and encouraged the heart of your President. My pen refuses to go on, unless I stop to pay her a tribute of praise. She has been to me most considerate and helpful, and the remembrance of her Christian fellowship and kindliness in this year's work will ever be most gratefully cherished. She has taught us the use and benefit of a Literature Committee, and with the aid of her Committee has brought that special work into great prominence. Allow me to express my very high appreciation of this Committee and its work.

The resignation of Mrs. W. F. Rentz as Treasurer was regretfully accepted in the early part of the second quarter, ill-health preventing her from filling the position longer. Mrs. A. M. Porch was appointed to fill the vacancy thus caused. She has been a faithful and efficient officer—ever ready to assist in and consult about the work. Whenever we turned to her for advice and aid she quickly responded. She has been a co-worker indeed.

I have been ably supported by all the officers. It has lightened the burden

of responsibility to be associated with laborers who were so charitable and kind.

I want to assure you all that your readiness to assist me, your lenient criticism of my work, and your charity for my faults, have been most highly appreciated.

In April, letters were received from the President and Secretary of the N. W. Conference, inviting the women of the district to meet with them in Conference at Ellsworth.

Believing it would be for the advancement of the work, a call was issued and an explanatory letter sent to each Auxiliary within the bounds of the Conference, requesting that a delegate be sent. There were so few who were able to respond to the call, that the meeting was abandoned.

The gentlemen had most kindly offered us part of their time, and it certainly would have been beneficial had we met. Would it not be practicable to endeavor thus to meet each year? The expense of traveling would be small, but we believe the results would be great.

In the conduct of the Synodical work, I have written one hundred and fifty-four letters, and seventy-five postal cards. This, of course, would not have been sufficient had I been obliged to depend upon these alone to express my wishes and desires.

The "*Synodical Reporter*" having been established, and the first number issued in April, there was no longer a necessity of correspondence with auxiliaries, unless some special work demanded it. Through the columns of this little paper, not only the President of the Society, but all the officers, communicated with each member of the Auxiliaries. Not only that, the Literature Committee was enabled to present its work, and explain more fully than would have been possible by letter writing.

The establishment of the "*Reporter*" was the most laborious task of the year. The undertaking was an entirely new one to us, consequently difficult. With the kind assistance of friends and the help of God, we succeeded in being ready with the first number at the close of the second quarter. To Mrs. M. J. Schauer, and the late Rev. G. D. Gotwald, I feel myself very greatly indebted in this matter. I should not have had the courage to make the attempt, nor knowledge of procedure, without these two good friends. Both gave great encouragement and assistance.

Bro. Gotwald was a staunch friend of the project from the beginning, firmly believing it would improve and advance our work. He lost no opportunity to gather necessary information upon the minor points in the establishment of a paper, as well as the more important ones. All such information was promptly communicated, to the benefit of the undertaking. His interest in the project was unflagging. It was he that suggested the name the paper bears. Without the encouragement and advice received from him, the Kansas *Synodical Reporter* would never have had an existence.

Alas! by the time the project had assumed form and life, and the paper was issued, his labors were ended and he was silently, peacefully sleeping the

sleep which knows no waking. How good and noble he was!—a perfect type of Christian manhood. Among his many excellent characteristics, none were more prominent than the one which enabled him to render assistance and encouragement, and develop talents possessed by any. The assertion is neither too broad nor sweeping, that no one ever was associated with him without being the better.

By his death we feel we have lost a personal friend, our Synodical Society an interested and enthusiastic sympathizer. The women always found him ready with sympathy, kindness and financial aid.

He was well acquainted with our work, and knew our workers. We mourn his death and sadly note his absence from Synod. It is very fitting that we hold a service in memory of one who was so beloved and useful.

We believe the paper has done good. If in no other particular, it has at least stimulated Societies to be more prompt with their reports.

It has brought us nearer together—we do not feel so cut off from other Societies. The testimony of the Executive Committee is that it has been a bond of union between them, and in a measure supplies the lack of meetings. We have been too widely separated to hold even one meeting during the year. We spoke of and longed for such meeting. Though we endeavored to arrange for one, we were not successful. We realize that the paper is imperfect; we are well aware there are many things which can be criticised. Bear in mind please it is the beginning, and if it continues to exist can and should be improved. More money will produce better results.

We sincerely hope you have found it so helpful and desirable that you will be unanimous in favor of its continuance. The change of officers will give it new and bright thoughts, and your encouragement will start it on another year full of vigor.

I would recommend to you the continuance of the *Reporter* in its present or enlarged form, and also that it be conducted as the *official organ* of the Synodical Society.

I would also recommend that such Auxiliary Societies as feel themselves incapable of expending any money for literature be furnished suitable and necessary help by the Literature Committee at the expense of the Synodical Society. We do not believe any Society would declare itself unable to buy literature unless compelled to.

Let me also recommend that each and all of the Auxiliaries hold at least *one public* meeting during the year; select a certain day or month—the last month of the Synodical year is a good time—and hold the meeting at that time. There will not then be a disposition to procrastinate, but the day being settled, preparations will be made and the work found less burdensome.

Where it is possible, organize the young people into Societies and the children into Bands. These Young People's Societies require the fostering care of the older Society.

Art. 4 of the By-laws, adopted at Atchison last fall, should be amended. As it stands, it is in conflict with Art. 7 of the Synodical Constitution. Our

By-laws deprive Synodical officers and members of the Executive Committee of a right to vote in the election of officers.

The Synodical Treasurer has never been supplied with a suitable book in which to keep the accounts of the Society. A book should be procured that will be of size and durability to serve for many years.

I ask your indulgence for any lack of parliamentary knowledge.

In conclusion, let me add these beautiful lines on sowing and reaping, by Christina Rosetti:

SOW AND REAP.

Hope afresh, for hope shall not be vain;
Start afresh along the exceedingly steep
Road to glory long and rough and plain.

Sow and reap, for while these moments keep,
Time and earth and life are on the wane.
Now, in tears; to-morrow laugh and reap
Once again.

Who scatters tares shall reap no wheat,
But go hungry while others eat.
Who sows the wind shall not reap grain,
The sown wind whirleth back again.

We sow to reap,
Have patience, wait, betake ourselves to prayer,
Deep answereth deep.

Respectfully submitted, ALICE G. BOND,
President.

Mrs. Lowe, the Corresponding Secretary, gave a full report for the year. The Treasurer being absent, her report was postponed until afternoon session.

Mrs. Buehler, of the West Pennsylvania Synod, was then introduced, and addressed the ladies.

Miscellaneous business being next taken up, Mrs. Maggart moved to have the following Amendments made to our By-laws:

ARTICLE III. The officers shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, and Treasurer.

ARTICLE IV. The officers of this Society shall be elected by ballot, at the morning session of the last day of the annual meeting, and shall be elected by a majority vote. Officers of this Society, Auxiliary delegates and officers, and members of the Executive Committee of the General Society, shall have the right to vote.

This motion was carried.

Mrs. Stewart then offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That we dispense with a Nominating Committee, and adopt the plan used by the Synod in electing our officers.

Mrs. Lowe moved to amend the above motion by making it an article of our By-laws.

The motion was carried.

The original motion of Mrs. Stewart as amended was then carried.

Adjourned with singing.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

Devotional exercises led by Mrs. Samuel Schirk, of Waterville, Kansas.

Regular meeting called to order by the President.

Roll called.

Minutes read and approved.

The following committees were then appointed by the President, Mrs. Bond.

Auditing Committee—Mrs. Kiefer, Mrs. Scherer, Mrs. Seybold.

On Resolutions—Mrs. Cromer, Mrs. Lake, Mrs. Bardonnar, Mrs. Geo. Seitz.

On Letters and Papers—Mrs. Kirtland, Mrs. Farley, Mrs. Jacobs.

On Minutes—Mrs. Porch, Miss Scherer.

The Treasurer, Mrs. Porch, then gave her yearly report, after which she moved the Synodical fees hereafter be sent when the last quarterly reports are sent.

This motion was carried.

Mrs. Stewart then moved that we be governed in our Conventions by the "Rules of Order" adopted by the General Society.

Carried.

Mrs. Bond was asked to explain the use of the mite box, which she kindly did, Mrs. Buehler also offering some thoughts.

Report of Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. J. A. Lowe, for the Year Ending October 1, 1890.

Woman's Societies.	Organized	Members. Active	Honorary	Life	New	Journals Taken	Total Amount sent to the Synodical Treasury.	Synodical Reporter	Synodical Fees
Abilene	1880	18	10	2	.	50	$35 00	. . .	$1 15
Atchison	1885	24	1	2	.	32	19 25	. . .	1 30
Barnes	1885								
Chapman	1889	9	2	.	1	. .	10 02	. . .	45
Denver	1889	26	10	.	.	21	15 00		
East Norway	1881	11	2	.	.	. .	12 50		
Ellsworth	1886	8	1	1	.	11	5 00		
Emporia	1885	16	10	.	3	. .	27 00		
Eureka	1882	14	4	1	.	15	11 00	$2 00	1 00
Hutchinson	1889	9	.	.	.	10	10 75	. . .	45
Kansas City, 1st Church.	1884	30	5	1	.	15	35 00		
Kansas City, Mem'l Ch.	1884	14	19	1	.	19	21 50	3 00	2 50
Lawrence	1885	20	12	1	.	26	30 38	1 00	1 55
Leavenworth	1889	10	.	2	.	6	6 25	. .	50
Minneapolis	1886	14	2	1	.	14	6 50	. . .	70
Ottawa	1887	7	5	.	.	10	12 80		
Peabody	1885	21	6	.	.	36	112 00		
Perth	1889	18	3	1	4	. .	7 00		
Salina (St. John's)	1882	18	10	.	.	32	70 00		
Salina (St. Paul's)	1888	28	28	.	.	. .	80		
Topeka	1881	21	. .	9	.	36	25 00		
Waterville	1879	13	3	.	.	11	19 70	. . .	55
Hebron (Waterville Pas.)	1879	12	5	.	.	10	28 50	. . .	80
Wellington	1889								
Whitewater	1889	22	1	.	.	. .	2 80	. . .	55
Young People's Societies.									
Abilene	1881	10	2	.	.	. .	36 55		
Atchison	1889	11	. .	.	.	. .	1 80		
Hays City	1888	10	. .	.	.	1	12 50		
Salina (St. John's)	1890	8	. .	.	.	. .	10 00		
Mission Bands.									
Abilene	1890	. .	. .	.	.	. .	4 90		
Eureka	1889	. .	. .	.	.	. .	3 00		
Minneapolis	1889								
Peabody	1889	30	4	.	.	. .	93 56		
Salina (St. John's)	1890	23	. .	.	.	. .	10 00		
Totals		474	145	21	8	355	$696 06	$6 00	$11 30

On motion, this report was adopted.

Report of Treasurer, Mrs. A. M. Porch, for the Year Ending October 1, 1890.

Received From	Synodical Treasury	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	General Fund	Sacramento	Miss Kistler	Miss Beekin	Mrs. P Lucy	Pastor in India	Educating a Girl in India	Prayer-house in India	Zenana Work	India Hospital	Girls' Dormitory	Pew in Los Angeles Church	Pew in San Francisco Church	Mrs. Schauer's Expenses pledged at Synod Oct., 1889	Missionary Reporter	Total
Balance in Treasury October 1, 1889	$24 23																		$24 23
Synodical Collection														$18 40					18 40
Abilene				$35 40		$5 00												$2 50	42 90
" Y. L. M. B.				14 40		10 00													24 40
" C. M. B.				4 95				$17 00											21 95
Atchison				19 25															19 25
" Midland Band				1 80															1 80
Bunker Hill																		2 00	2 00
Barnes				2 75	$1 00								$2 50						6 25
Chapman				13 32															13 32
Denver		$7 50	$7 50											10 00					25 00
Emporia				27 00															27 00
Ellsworth				5 00	1 00													50	6 50
Eureka				3 00	2 00													2 00	7 00
" "Martin Luther" Band					3 00			3 00											6 00
Hebron				20 00															20 00
Hays City		5 00		12 50														2 00	19 50
Hutchinson				10 25															10 25
Kansas City, First Church				34 00															34 00
Kansas City, Memorial				21 50														3 00	24 50
Lawrence				20 30	3 00							$4 08	3 00				$1 00	1 00	32 38
Leavenworth				5 50															5 50
Minneapolis				6 50															6 50
Ottawa				16 80														1 50	18 30
Perth		4 50		7 00														3 00	14 50
Peabody				32 75	24 00					$25 00			10 25	10 00	$10 00			2 50	114 50
" C. M. B.				18 56			$5 00		$30 00		$40 00								93 56

Report of Treasurer Mrs. A. M. Porch, for the Year Ending October 1, 1890—*Continued.*

Received from	Synodical Treasury	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	General Fund	Sacramento	Miss Kistler	Miss Beskin	Mrs. P. Lucy	Pastor in India	Educating a Girl in India	Prayer-house in India	Zenana Work	India Hospital	Girls' Dormitory	Pew in Los Angeles Church	Pew in San Francisco Church	Mrs. Schauer's Expenses pledged at Synod Oct., 1889	Missionary Reporter	Total
Salina (St. John's				$28 00	$42 00														$70 00
" " Y. L. M. B.				2 00															2 00
" " C. M. B.						$8 00	$5 00	$5 00											18 00
" (St. Paul's)				6 48															6 48
Topeka				25 00															25 00
Waterville			$2 00	17 70															19 70
White Water				16 80														$2 00	18 80
Wellington				3 10															3 10
Rev. Acker (White Water)						5 00													5 00
Rev. McAfee (Topeka)						5 00													5 00
Rev. Rees (Pawnee City, Neb.)						5 00													5 00
Mrs. Killinger (Hays City						5 00													5 00
Mrs. Hartsock (McPherson)						10 00													10 00
Miss Jones (Emporia)																		25	25
Miss Swobe (Omaha, Neb.)																		25	25
Total receipts	$24 23	$17 00	$9 50	431 61	$76 00	$53 00	$10 00	$25 00	$30 02	$25 00	$40 00	$4 08	$5 50	$38 65	$10 00	$10 00	$1 00	$75 00	$835 57
Total Disbursements		17 00	9 50	431 61	76 00	53 00	10 00	25 00	30 00	25 00	40 00	4 08	5 50	38 65	10 00	10 00		24 89	$810.23
Balance in Treasury	$24 23																$1 00	$0 11	$25 34

The sums paid out of the treasury by order of Executive Committee are as follows: For Programmes, $3.00; bill of Literature Committee, $3.30.
The total receipts for the year 1889 were $1134.40. For the current year, $835.57.

This report accepted, and placed in the hands of the Auditing Committee.

The Treasurer was authorized by the Executive Committee to purchase a suitable book in which to keep all her accounts.

Reports of Delegates from Auxiliaries followed, showing a good work done the past year—Peabody being the banner Society. Six Societies reported public meetings during the year, and nearly all speaking with favor of the "Synodical Reporter."

All Societies reported excepting Bunker Hill, East Norway, Hays City, Perth and Wellington.

Letters from Miss Amy Sadtler, Miss Morris, Revs. H. H. Weber and W. S. Hoskinson were read, followed by a paper, "Young People's Societies," by Miss Mae Scherer, of Abilene.

Adjourned with doxology.

FRIDAY MORNING.

Devotional exercises led by Mrs. Stewart continued with Bible readings selected from "*Missionary Journal*," showing how meetings of our Auxiliary Societies might be successfully conducted.

Roll called and minutes read and approved.

Mrs. Beegle, Chairman of the Literature Committee, submitted her report, and also read a report from Mrs. T. F. Dornblaser, historian of the Committee.

Mrs. Porch, Chairman Organizing Committee for Northwest Conference, reported one organization of fourteen members at Chapman, Kan.

The election of officers was then proceeded with, resulting in the election of—

President—Mrs. T. L. Bond.
Vice-President—Mrs. M. F. Stewart.
Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. H. L. Lark.
Recording Secretary—Mrs. J. M. Searles.
Treasurer—Mrs. A. M. Porch.

Report of Committee No. 1—Auditing.

We have examined the reports of the Treasurer and Secretary, and also receipts and expenditures of the Literature Committee, and we find them correct and satisfactory. The statements of the expenses of President and Treasurer have also been handed us.

We recommend:

1. That an order be drawn on the Treasurer for $7.03 in favor of Mrs. Bond, for expenses as President.

2. That an order be drawn on the Treasurer for $2.50 in favor of Mrs. Porch, for expenses as Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. ELLA. L. KIEFER,
MRS. C. J. SEYBOLD,
MRS. MATTIE SCHERER.

Report accepted.

Report of Committee No. 2—On Resolutions.

Your Committee would respectfully submit the following:

1. *Resolved*, That we cordially extend the thanks of this Convention to the members and pastor of the Salina church, and to the friends who have given us such a hearty welcome to their homes.

2. *Resolved*, That we thank the Committee on Arrangements for the efficient manner in which they have performed their duty, also Mr. Geo. Hagenbusch for securing special railroad rates, also the press for their kind notices of our Convention.

WHEREAS, Rev. G. D. Gotwald, pastor of the "Children's Memorial" Lutheran church, Kansas City, Mo., has been removed from his post of duty by death to his reward in heaven; therefore,

Resolved, That in his death we have lost a faithful and true friend and benefactor—one who has been a great help to us in our Missionary Society by his kind advice and financial aid.

Resolved, That we cherish in our memory, and record in our minutes, our high appreciation of his character as a Christian gentleman and minister of Christ.

Resolved, That we extend to the widowed wife and little Bessie, and relatives, our sincere and heartfelt sympathy in this their time of greatest sorrow, and pray that the God of all love and mercy may be their comfort, light and salvation.

Resolved, That we urge upon the women of our church greater activity and earnestness, and a more prayerful interest in the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society.

Having heard from Mrs. C. A. Eyler of the trials, difficulties and discouragments of the Leavenworth Mission—

Resolved, That we commend the same to the General Society.

Resolved, That representing the mothers of the land and the Christian

homes of our country, we declare our firm adherence to the cause of Temperance and State Prohibition, and that through all the trials and struggles incident to a great moral reform, we are pledged to cling to it unswervingly, especially now, as the recent adverse decision of the United States District Court has again imperiled the legislation of Kansas prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors, against which we proclaim our confidence that the moral sense of the State of Kansas will be ultimately triumphant.

Resolved, That we urge upon the women of our church greater activity, and a more prayerful interest in this great moral reform.

MRS. J. M. CROMER,
MRS. BARDONNAR,
MRS. SEITZ,
MRS. LAKE.

On motion, report was adopted and placed on record.

Report of Committee No. 3—On Letters and Papers.

Your Committee on Letters and Papers would beg leave to recommend the following:

The excellent address, so full of good Christian thought and encouragment, read by our President, Mrs. A. G. Bond, which was received with much praise.

That a greater effort be made to increase the number and free use of the Missionary Journal, Mission Studies, also the Synodical Reporter, which is so helpful to all in conveying reports and good cheer to all.

The letters of greeting, which were read and greatly enjoyed by all.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. R. B. FARLEY,
MRS. R. B. JACOBS,
MRS. M. V. CAGNEY.

On motion, the report was received.

Report of Committee No. 4—On Minutes.

Your Committee on Printing of Minutes would suggest that this Convention return sincere thanks to the Synod for their kindness in printing the Minutes of this Convention.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. A. M. PORCH,
MRS. MATTIE SCHERER.

On motion, report accepted.

Mrs. C. A. Eyler gave the ladies a short talk on the Leavenworth Mission, followed by a few facts upon the same subject by Rev. Eyler.

Meeting adjourned with singing.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

Devotional exercises led by Mrs. C. A. Eyler.

Roll called, and minutes of the morning session read and approved.

Mrs. Ella C. Beegle, of Atchison, read a paper on "Work of Literature Committees," which was pleasing and instructive, followed by a paper by Mrs. H. L. Lark, of Peabody, upon "How may the Children be formed into successful Bands," which was also very instructive, after which a few moments were spent in questions upon the two subjects.

Mrs. Farley then offered the following amendment to Article VIII of By-Laws: "That a Standing Committee should be appointed, chosen from the Executive Committee."

Motion carried.

The matter of continuing the publication of the "Synodical Reporter" was then brought up, ending in the carrying of the following motion:

Resolved, That each Auxiliary Society be asked to contribute a sum equivalent to an assessment of ten cents per active member, said contribution to establish a fund for the publication of the "Synodical Reporter."

On motion, Rev. Barnitz was asked to speak to us for a few moments, which he did, giving us a helpful and encouraging account of Woman's Missions in the West. Time however was too limited for him to speak of all.

At this time the Convention adjourned to meet with the Synod in the body of the church, in memorial services for Rev. Geo. D. Gotwald. The services were impressive and appropriate.

Papers were read by Mrs. Searles, of Kansas City "Memorial," and Mrs. Dewees, of Salina church.

Remarks by Revs. Altman, Lowe, Yarger and Clutz.

After singing of the hymn, "More holiness give me," the benediction was pronounced by Rev. Barnitz.

After the "Memorial Service," meeting was again called to order, and the following Committees appointed for the ensuing year:

Northeast Conference.

Mrs. Briggs, Kansas City, Mo.
Mrs. Sponseller, Waterville.
Mrs. Dr. Herbst, Kansas City, Mo.

Northwest Conference.

Mrs. Scherer, Chapman, Kan.
Mrs. Kirtland, Salina Co., Kan.
Mrs. Maurer, Hardy, Neb.

South Conference.

Mrs. J. A. Lowe, Hutchinson.
Mrs. Hursh, Wellington.
Mrs. Jones, Emporia.

LITERATURE COMMITTEE.

Mrs. Ella C. Beegle, Atchison.
Mrs. H. L. Yarger, Lawrence.
Mrs. T. F. Dornblaser, Topeka.
Mrs. M. J. Schauer, Atchison.

Convention adjourned with doxology and benediction by Rev. J. A. Lowe.

MRS. J. M. SEARLES, *Rec. Secretary.*

The Executive Committee met after the adjournment of the convention, and unanimously adopted the following resolutions:

WHEREAS, The Kansas Synod has kindly proposed to publish the Minutes of the Tenth Annual Convention of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society free of expense to the Society; therefore,

Resolved, That the Woman's Convention extend sincere thanks for this kindness and generosity, and heartily appreciate the sympathy and co-operation of Synod in the Woman's work.

The Society would also gratefully acknowledge the same favor conferred by Synod last year, in printing the Minutes of the Convention free of charge to the Society.

MRS. A. G. BOND,
MRS. M. F. STEWART,
MRS. H. L. LARK,
MRS. J. M. SEARLES,
MRS. A. M. PORCH.

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Corporate Names and Titles.

To prevent all mistakes in the writing of wills and making of bequests to the benevolent objects of the Church, it has been recommended that the corporate names and titles of the different Boards and Societies of the General Synod should appear on this page. If those who contemplate making any of the church institutions named below beneficiaries in their last wills are careful to use the legal titles here following, their pious intentions will not be frustrated.

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"The General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States of America."

THE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION.

"The Board of Church Extension of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States."

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

"The Board of Education of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States of America."

THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

"The Board of Foreign Missions of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States."

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THE ORPHANS' HOME AT LOYSVILLE, PA.

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"Parent Education Society of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States."

THE PASTORS' FUND SOCIETY.

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PUBLICATION SOCIETY.

"The Lutheran Publication Society."

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AT GETTYSBURG.

"The Theological Seminary of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States."

THE W. H. AND F. M. SOCIETY.

"The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States."

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